

**Health Professions Council
Council 12th May 2005**

APPLIED PSYCHOLOGISTS

Executive Summary and Recommendations

Introduction

On 12th March the Department of Health published a consultation document on the proposals for the Health Professions Council (HPC) to statutorily regulate applied psychologists.

This followed the recommendation by HPC to the Secretary of State for Health on 4th June 2004 that the profession should be regulated.

The consultation raised eight specific questions and the HPC's draft responses are attached.

Decision

The Council is requested to approve the response.

Background information

None.

Resource implications

HPC's departmental workloads will increase, particularly Fitness to Practise, Education and Policy, UK and International/Grandparenting Registration.

Financial implications

Assuming 10,000 registrants, HPC's income will increase by £600,000 per annum.

Background papers

Department of Health consultation document:

Applied Psychology: Enhancing public protection: Proposals for the statutory regulation of applied psychologists

(Department of Health website <http://www.dh.gov.uk/Consultations/LiveConsultations/fs/en>)

Appendices

None.

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