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Revalidation task & finish group - Summary report No. 4

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Progress to date

UKPHR's task & finish group has been working on the development of a revalidation scheme for all registrants since September 2015. There have been 4 meetings of the task & finish group which was also assisted by the responses to one consultation with registrants and wider stakeholders.

On behalf of the task & finish group, the Registrar wrote a report to UKPHR's Board in time for its meeting held on 26th April 2016 in Birmingham. The report included recommendations for establishing a revalidation scheme for all UKPHR's registrants and also included a draft scheme and draft guidance.

Board decisions on 26 April

At its meeting, the Board accepted the task & finish group's recommendations and agreed to move forward with the proposed revalidation scheme.

The Board approved the draft scheme submitted by the Registrar on behalf of the task & finish group and directed that this draft scheme should form the basis of a consultation next.

The Board also approved the draft guidance for publication alongside the consultation as an additional aid to consultees in explaining the thinking behind the revalidation policy.

Next steps

UKPHR now intends to consult widely, for 12 weeks, on the draft revalidation scheme recommended by the task & finish group. The draft guidance will be published alongside the consultation document and the draft revalidation scheme.

It is hoped that a wide range of consultees will respond and assist UKPHR in making the eventual revalidation scheme as good as it can be. Key measures of success according to UKPHR's Board are that the scheme will be:

- Effective in assuring the ongoing competence of all registrants
- Proportionate in terms of burden on registrants and others.

Timetable

Whilst the Board was keen to make progress with implementation of a revalidation scheme as soon as possible, it was also concerned to take all reasonable steps to get its design right.

Consultation is a key stage in the Board's testing of the design.

The Board has directed that news of the consultation should go out as widely as possible and that 12 weeks should be allowed for responses.

All responses will be considered and assessed and the Board will look again at the draft revalidation scheme in the light of the responses received.

It is hoped to introduce the revalidation scheme during 2017 and an indicative timetable is as follows:

May 2016	Commence 12-week consultation
September 2016	Task & finish group & Board consider responses to consultation
October 2016	Revise revalidation scheme
December 2016	Publish revalidation scheme
March 2017	Implement revalidation scheme

In the meantime, UKPHR's existing system of 5-yearly re-registration will continue to operate. This scheme will begin to apply to practitioner registrants from June 2016 onwards (the first practitioners having registered with UKPHR in 2011).

If you want to give or receive further information about UKPHR's work on revalidation, please **CONTACT**:

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