

**Health Professions Council
Council – 11th May 2006**

Sanctions

Executive Summary and Recommendations

Introduction

The Council has previously set out its policy on indicative sanctions as part of the practice notes issued by the Practice Committees to Fitness to Practise panels. Following discussion with the Practice Committees it has been decided to recommend to the Council that it publish that policy as a document which is separate from the Practice Notes to emphasise that it represents Council policy. The text of the document is largely unchanged from the document that was approved by the Council in May 2005. However, a small number of amendments have been made and these are shown in bold italics. The most significant change is that the document indicates that advocates appearing on behalf of the Council will make submissions to panels as to the appropriate sanction to impose, based upon the Council's established policy.

Decision

The Council/Committee is asked to approve the indicative sanctions policy.

Background information

None

Resource implications

None

Financial implications

None

Appendices

Appendix 1

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