

**Health Professions Council
29 March 2007**

**THE HEALTH PROFESSIONS COUNCIL
(REGISTRATION AND FEES) (AMENDMENT) RULES 2007**

Executive Summary and Recommendations

Introduction

The attached draft rules have been drafted by the HPC's Parliamentary Agent in co-operation with the solicitors from the Department of Work and Pensions (DWP). The rules will reflect the Council's decision regarding the proposed fee rise. In accordance with the timetable for the implementation of the fee increase the agreed rules will be laid in Parliament and will come into effect by 1 June 2007.

Decision

The Council is asked to agree the Health Professions Council (Registration and Fees) (Amendment) Rules 2007.

Background information

None

Resource implications

None

Financial implications

None

Appendices

None

Date of paper

19 March 2007

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The Health Professions Council, in exercise of its powers under articles 7(1), 7(2), 33(7), 41(2) and 45(1) of the Health Professions Order 2001¹ and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf and following consultation in accordance with articles 7(1), 7(3) and 41(3) of that Order, hereby makes the following Rules:

Citation and commencement

1. These Rules may be cited as the Health Professions Council (Registration and Fees) (Amendment) Rules 2007 and shall come into force on 1st June 2007.

Interpretation

2. In these Rules "the principal Rules" means the Health Professions Council (Registration and Fees) Rules 2003².

Amendments to the principal Rules

3. - (1) In rule 4 of the principal Rules (applications for registration)—

(a) in paragraph (1), after "admission" insert "or re-admission"; and

(b) for paragraph (1)(c) substitute—

"(c) accompanied by:

(i) in the case of an application for registration, the registration fee prescribed by rule 14 and the scrutiny fee prescribed by rule 17, or

(ii) in the case of an application for readmission, the readmission fee prescribed by rule 15A; and".

(2) In rule 14 of the principal Rules (registration fee)—

(a) in paragraph (1)(a)—

(i) for "one year" substitute "two years", and

(ii) for "£60" substitute "£72"; and

(b) in paragraph (1)(b) for "£120" substitute "£144".

¹ SI 2002/254

² SI 2003/1572

(3) For rule 15 of the principal Rules (renewal and readmission fee) substitute—

“Renewal fee

15. The fee to be charged for renewal of registration is £144.

Readmission fee

15A The fee to be charged for readmission to the register is £254.”.

(4) In rule 16 of the principal Rules (restoration fee) for "£120" substitute "£254".

(5) In rule 16A of the principal Rules (reduced fees) after “15” insert “,15A”.

(6) In rule 17 of the principal Rules (scrutiny fee)—

(a) in paragraph (1) for "£200" substitute "£400";

(b) after paragraph (1) insert—

“(1A) The fee to be charged for scrutinising an application for registration where the applicant is relying on article 12(1)(a) of the Order is £50.”.

Sealed with the common seal of the Health Professions Council on 29th March 2007.

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