

Agenda Item 20

Enclosure 17

Paper ETC 81/02

Education and Training Committee

E.T.C. STATISTICS

From the Secretary

for discussion and agreement

ETC STATISTICS – WHAT INFORMATION / STATISTICS DOES EDUCATION AND TRAINING COMMITTEE WANT TO SEE TO MAKE PRO-ACTIVE JUDGEMENTS ?

Background, Current Situation and Options

None were identified or used by the former Boards at CPSM, but ETC may like to review this area.

A great deal of data is collected by various agencies and how best to correlate and share it is being looked at in the DoH / QAA prototype reviews and has also been looked at by Sir Ron Cooke's working party on information needs for Quality Assurance set up by the Higher Education Funding Council for England. The Higher Education Statistics Agency (HESA), however, does not collect or publish data disaggregated by profession.

The data collected by the education commissioning bodies on attrition and the data collected by the HEIs themselves on first destinations may be of particular interest to ETC.

On a linked theme, the Secretariat Group discussed and recommended data and format for annual reporting associated with ETC at its meeting on 21 October 2002 with an annual copy date of February.

Recommendation

It is suggested that this be pursued with the relevant bodies expeditiously, but no specific timetable arises.