

Standards of proficiency for applied psychologists  
Professional Liaison Group (PLG)  
25 October 2007

Workplan

Executive summary and recommendations

**Introduction**

A copy of the group's workplan is attached to note.

**Decision**

The PLG is invited to note the document. No decision is required.

**Background information**

The copy of the workplan considered by the group at its last meeting is appended. However, it is anticipated that the results of the consultation will now be considered at meetings of the Education and Training Committee and Council in February 2008 and not via electronic methods as detailed in the original workplan.

**Resource implications**

None

**Financial implications**

None

**Appendices**

None

**Date of paper**

18 October 2007

# Standards of proficiency for Psychologists – Professional Liaison Group (PLG)

## Workplan

### 1. PLG sponsor

The Council

### 2. PLG Mission Statement / Terms of reference

To draft the standards of proficiency for psychologists.

The PLG should consider all relevant information in drafting the standards which might include:

- national occupational standards for psychologists;
- standards produced by the British Psychological Society; and
- the subject benchmark statement for Psychology produced by the Quality Assurance Agency (QAA).

### 3. Meetings

The PLG should conclude its work in no more than three meetings.

### 4. Membership

The PLG should consist of up to ten members. Membership should be drawn from amongst the following groups:

- council members – registrant and lay;
- representatives from the British Psychological Society and other representative organisations;
- representatives from education providers; and
- representatives from patient organisations.

The PLG should be chaired by a member of Council. The Chair and President will be responsible for agreeing the exact membership of the PLG.

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## 5. Timetable and outline of activities

The following is a draft timetable for the PLG's work and includes an outline of the group's activities at each meeting.

The plan assumes that the work will not be concluded in less than three meetings and that an applied psychologists part of the Register will not open before 1 April 2008. As this date is subject to change, any subsequent alterations to the timetable will be agreed with the chair.

### 12th June 2007

- Education and Training Committee meeting – recommendation of workplan to Council

### 5th July 2007

- Council meeting – approval of workplan

### September 2007

1st meeting of PLG early September

- First draft of standards
- Legal context and background of the standards
- Other standards and frameworks (e.g. mapping of existing standards of proficiency against QAA benchmark statements).

### Late September/ early October 2007

2nd Meeting late September/ early October

- Second draft of standards

### October 2007

3rd meeting October

- Final draft of standards

Standards to be approved for consultation via chair's action of the chair of the Education and Training Committee.

### November 2007 to January 2008

Public consultation

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## February 2008

Writing of consultation responses and revision of draft standards following consultation. Decisions arising from the consultation will take place with the agreement of the PLG chair and in liaison with the PLG membership.

Electronic ratification of new standards by the Education and Training Committee and by Council.

Laying out and publication of new standards in advance of the opening date of the Register.

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