AHCS REGULATION BOARD SUMMARY

The Regulation Board is part of the AHCS Governance structure supporting the Regulatory Framework. It has oversight of the Registration Councils and directories, will receive and respond to any appeals and equivalence complaints. Fitness to Practise decisions rest at Registration Council level via the Panels and Rules. The HCS Registration Council publishes the agendas and minutes of the public meeting.

The minutes of this Board are not published. However, it is important to maintain as much transparency as possible both within and outside the Academy, so this summary will be produced and disseminated after each meeting of the Regulation Board.

11th September 2019 (Fourth Meeting)

The Regulation Board meeting was postponed to September 2019 in order to implement a joint workshop with AHCS Councils, this Board and related education advisory groups. This Workshop occurred in July and focused on fitness to practise processes and issues, and to consider Sanctions with consent.

The Regulation Workshop produced a list of agreed actions to be taken and followed up; an important example is to produce user-friendly, plain language flow charts for all external stakeholders to better understand our processes.

This meeting concentrated on a discussion about DBS, the way we ensure patients and registrants are kept safe. Different NHS Trusts are asking for different levels of safeguarding information on our registrants, particularly LSI. The Registrar continues to clarify and ensure that the legitimate level of safeguarding is provided.

An update from each Registration Council including each professional group/in was received, numbers on the Parts of the Registers continue to grow.

The NIHR directory continues to grow and be seen as worthwhile by all participants. Work on developing an accredited register is moving ahead well.

Risks and issues were discussed and clarified. Risk management will occur at all Councils and at Board but the content not repeated.

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Chair of the Regulation Board