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Whistleblowing

For decision

Issue:

1. In April 2009, the Chief Executives' Steering Group, consisting of the Chief Executives of the nine healthcare regulatory bodies, discussed the sharing of the respective regulators' approaches to whistleblowing and the value of joint working to develop a cross-regulatory approach in this area. The Council for Healthcare Regulatory Excellence (CHRE) was invited to prepare a draft cross-regulatory statement on whistleblowing.
2. The statement prepared by CHRE was considered by the Chief Executives' Steering Group in June 2009 - see **Annex 1**. Each regulator has been invited to consider the statement and decide whether it wishes to support it as a joint statement from the regulators on whistleblowing
3. The GOC's Standards Committee considered the statement at its meeting of 17 September, and recommends that the Council support and adopt the statement.

Recommendation(s):

Council is recommended to support the cross-regulatory statement on whistleblowing.

Annexes:

The following annex is attached to this paper:

Annex 1: Regulation and whistleblowing: a joint draft statement from the health professions regulators.

Further information:

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