

COUNCIL

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Public/Patient Involvement in Accreditation Process

For Information

Issue:

Following a discussion at the July meeting of Council, members requested an update in respect of the progress made by the Education Department in addressing the need for public/patient involvement its Visit process.

Recommendation(s):

For the Council to note the progress made by the Education Department in introducing the following:

- All visitor panels have at least two lay members whose responsibility specifically includes focusing on public/patient perspective.
- Questionnaires have been developed and implemented for all Visits since March 2009. Questionnaires are sent to the following groups:
 - i) Employers (of recent graduates & pre registration trainees)
 - ii) Supervisors
 - iii) Patients attending University Clinics

Annexes:

The following annexes are attached:

Annex 1: Employer Questionnaire
Annex 2: Supervisor Questionnaire
Annex 3: Patient Questionnaire

Further information:

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