

Health Professions Council meeting summary Thursday 11 September 2008

This is a summary of the decisions made at the Council held on Thursday 11 September. The full agenda and papers are available on our website at:

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Full minutes of the meeting will be published as part of the papers for the next Council meeting.

Election of the President

The Council agreed to elect Dr Anna van der Gaag as its President.

Modernising Scientific Careers

The Council agreed its position on the Department of Health's project to modernise scientific careers and the issues which should be addressed by the project.

Regulation of medical herbalists, acupuncturists and traditional Chinese medicine practitioners

A steering group set up by the Department of Health has recommended that these professions should be regulated by the HPC. The Council discussed the steering group's report and recommended statutory regulation to the Secretary of State for Health.

If you need any further information about the decisions made, please contact Colin Bendall by email at

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The next meeting of the Council is in the Dalmahoy Hotel, Kirknewton, near Edinburgh on 3 October 2008. Papers for that meeting will be published on the HPC website at the following link:

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