



Accredited Registers' information sharing protocol

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GLOSSARY of Terms used in this protocol:

Accredited Register (AR)

In this protocol the term Accredited Register refers to any of the organisations who are accredited by the Professional Standards Authority under its statutory powers and the term Accredited Registers means all of them collectively.

Accredited Registers Programme

The statutory programme operated by the Professional Standards Authority for the accreditation of registers of health and care practitioners who are not subject to statutory regulation.

Alert

A notification from one AR to all other ARs in the form and with the content referred to in this protocol.

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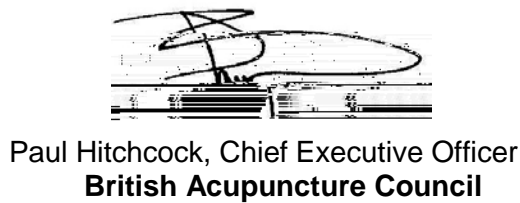
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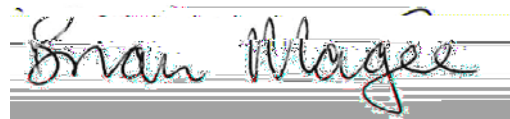
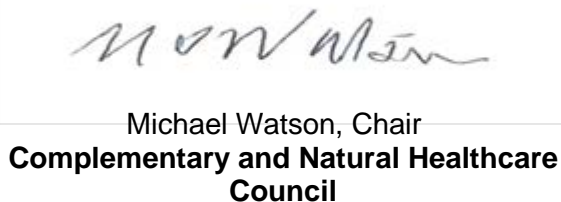
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1. Purpose of this protocol

Specific purpose

- 1.1 The specific purpose of this protocol is to set out a framework for holders of Accredited Registers ("ARs") to participate in an alerts system by which they will share information so as to support Mutual Recognition of outcomes of disciplinary proceedings that lead to **removal from an AR** ("the Mutual Recognition purpose").

General purposes

- 1.2 The general purposes of this protocol are:
- 1.2.1 To promote cooperation among ARs as far as is appropriate and reasonably practicable in the sharing of information and data within the meaning given in this protocol.
- 1.2.2 To promote and establish a consistent approach between ARs to the development and implementation of information sharing, including clarity as to when information sharing will take place.

No intention to create legal relations

- 1.3 This protocol is not intended to be a contract in law and does not give rise to any contractual rights or intentions. Formal data sharing agreements that go beyond the sharing of data that is in the public domain may additionally be necessary in some circumstances and legal advice should be sought.

2. Scope

- 2.1 This protocol has been developed to guide information sharing among ARs in promoting the Mutual Recognition purpose. It does not replace ARs' existing policies and procedures relating to confidentiality, data protection and disclosure of information.
- 2.2 It explains the alerts system in which ARs agree to participate and that the information to be shared between ARs is information that ARs publish already.
- 2.3 This protocol applies to all the signatory organisations being ARs within the United Kingdom.

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3. Principles guiding the sharing of information

3.1 The following key principles guide the sharing of information between ARs:

3.1.1 ARs endorse the Mutual Recognition purpose and, in its support, agree to promote the accurate and timely sharing of data within the meaning given in this protocol, for the protection of the public.

3.1.2 **Accurate** means ARs have taken care to ensure that records are factually correct and have

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