

## Professional Development Committee

### Terms of Reference

#### General

- To meet 3 – 4 times a year
- To elect a chairperson to sit for 3 years, no longer than 2 terms as chairperson
- To report back to Council to seek approval for decisions made at committee meetings

#### Specific

To promote and facilitate the training of doctors both at undergraduate and postgraduate level; primary or secondary care.

To develop relationships between training institutions, GPs, hospital doctors, CEOs of hospitals, key consultants in each specialty with respect to training, key insurance groups to facilitate funding of training eg fellowships.

To facilitate the provision of GP trainers within private practice.

To facilitate the provision of Secondary Care training.

To encourage the ethical performance of research.

To clarify the existence of independent sector research already in place.

To provide documentation for standards and ethics surrounding research.

To advise concerning access to an ethical committee.

To make recommendations with respect to quality initiatives in education.

To consider the concept of mentoring within the private sector.

To assess the current charity works appertaining to the practitioners working in the independent sector.

To encourage linking of charity work and increase awareness of its presence.

To write articles to go into the regular e-newsletter to publicise the work of the committee.