

**Medical Schools Council  
and Dental Schools Council Admissions Deans Meeting**

Main Hall, Woburn House, London, Thursday April 7<sup>th</sup> 2011

<b>Chair: Jon Cohen</b>	
<b>9.30</b>	<b>Registration and TEA/ COFFEE</b>
<b>10.00</b>	<p><b>Chairman's welcome</b> <i>Professor Jon Cohen, Dean of Medicine Brighton and Sussex Medical School</i></p> <p><b>Introduction to the themes of the meeting</b> <i>Dr Muriel Shannon, Medicine Admissions Tutor, St. George's University of London</i></p>
<b>10.10</b>	<p><b>Fitness to practise at admissions</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Local findings from verification of work experience: <i>Dr Mary Hems, Admissions Tutor, Brighton and Sussex Medical School</i></li> <li>- Survey of attitudes on deception in the UCAS form: <i>Dr Jon Dowell, Dundee Medical School</i></li> <li>- Standards for medical fitness to train, guidance from HEOPS: <i>Dr Nigel Wilson, Consultant Occupational Physician, The University of Liverpool</i></li> </ul>
<b>10.40</b>	<b>Questions and Discussion - Fitness to Practise issues at admissions</b>
<b>11.00</b>	<p><b>UKCAT Update</b> <i>Dr Sandra Nicholson, Chair, UKCAT</i></p>
<b>11.10</b>	<p><b>GMC support on selection into medical school</b> <i>Martin Hart, Education Directorate, GMC</i></p>
<b>11.20</b>	<b>Questions and Discussion – GMC on selection</b>
<b>11.30</b>	<b>TEA/ COFFEE</b>
<b>11.40</b>	<p><b>UCAS Update</b> <i>Dr Tammy Long, UCAS</i></p>
<b>11.50</b>	<p><b>Supporting Professionalism in Admissions Programme</b> <i>Annie Doyle, Senior Project Officer</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- General SPA update: key issues for medical and dental school admissions</li> <li>- Contextual data project update</li> <li>- SPA survey of admissions tests</li> </ul>
<b>12.20</b>	<b>Questions and Discussion</b>
<b>12.30</b>	<p><b>Criteria for an acceptable access/ foundation course: potential new workstream</b> <i>Discussion facilitated by Dr Gordon Dent, Director of Admissions for Undergraduate Medicine, Keele University</i></p>
<b>12.45</b>	<b>LUNCH</b>



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13.45	<p><b>Group Discussions</b></p> <p><b>Theme:</b> The future of widening access; managing the impact of the widening access agenda on the admissions process.</p> <p><b>Delegates to share experiences on, and identify best practice approaches to:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Fees and bursaries</li><li>- Using admissions tests as tools for widening access</li><li>- Alternative qualifications</li><li>- Monitoring progression and identifying success</li></ul>
15.00	<p><b>Report back from Groups and Discussion</b></p>
15.45 – 16.00	<p><b>Summary and ideas for future meetings</b></p> <p><b>CLOSE</b></p>