Dear Student

Re: Letter of Fitness to Practise

Welcome to the Faculty of Health and Life Sciences.

All Health & Social Care professionals are bound by a code of professional conduct, setting out levels of expectation in relation to conduct and behaviour. While it is certainly the case that this code is expected in all professional areas and situations, such expectations, continue in areas outside of your chosen field of health or social care.

As a pre-registration health & social care student you are required to notify us if you believe that your judgement or performance could be affected by any condition, or illness, or its treatment and of any events that could undermine public trust and confidence in you.

It is your responsibility to have read the current Standards of Conduct: Fitness to Practise Document under “Essential Information” on http://www.hls.brookes.ac.uk/peu. Any alleged breaches of these Standards of Conduct: Fitness to Practise will be dealt with by the Standards in place at the time of the alleged breach.

I draw your attention to the fact that by recording your self-declaration by logging in to the Practice Education Management System (PEMS) you are confirming that you have read the student ‘Standards of Conduct: Fitness to Practise’ document you agree to abide by its provision, and any subsequent amendments (notified to you by email).

In addition, you are making the following two declarations.

1) **Declaration of Health** (University and Practice Based Education):
   
   Your psychological or physical health has remained the same since health clearance was completed during the admissions process as part of being accepted onto a professional practice programme, which could impact on your performance or safety of self or others.

2) **Declaration of Good Conduct**:

   That there have been no events affecting your criminal record since the enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) clearance was completed during the admissions process as part of being accepted onto a professional practice programme.

Yours sincerely,

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