

The Shrewsbury and Telford Hospital NHS Trust

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Medical Appraisal and Revalidation – Briefing Paper

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Strategic Domain	D. Learning and Growth
Organisational Objective	D1. Learn to improve, innovate and cooperate continuously D3. Devolve responsibility and accountability and cooperate with each other D6. Adopt behaviours that match our core values D8. Invest in a more flexible and responsive workforce
Executive Summary	The Medical Profession (Responsible Officers) Regulations 2010 came into force on 1 st January 2011. Designated bodies, which include National Health Service Trusts, NHS Foundation Trusts and Postgraduate Medical Deaneries, are required to nominate or appoint a Responsible Officer. Medical practitioners are required to be linked to a Responsible Officer. The government has made proposals for a system of revalidation for every doctor. Revalidation is a new way of regulating the medical profession that provides a focus for doctors' efforts to maintain and improve their practice. The purpose of revalidation is to assure patients and the public, employers and other healthcare professionals that licensed doctors are up to date and are practising to the appropriate professional standards.
Recommendations	The Trust Board is asked to NOTE the details and APPROVE the resource implications.