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Dear Graham

We are changing the structure of the registration categories NRCPD regulates in response to the Setting the Standard consultation. Our aim is to move to that position quickly to achieve the greater clarity requested by the public, and in a way that actively includes your students and graduates to make sure they and their clients are not disadvantaged unnecessarily.

It is possible that arrangements for moving to a simplified position might appear complicated in the short term. We have created a position where the conditions under which individuals have committed to or completed their training still apply to them:

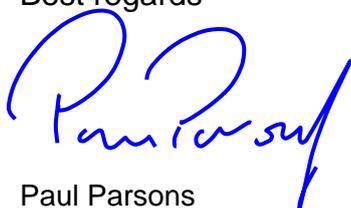
- Finishing position for students on courses mapped to MRSLI is unchanged. Successful completion of the course means they will have met the competence requirements for registration.
- Previous graduates who hold TI or JTI status will become Trainee Sign Language Interpreter automatically when they renew in 2012.
- Those who have already successfully completed a course (or will complete before end of June 2012) that makes them eligible for TI or JTI status have a period (until 5pm on 28 September 2012) in which they can make their application before the new competence standards are applied.
- Those who are on a course which would have made them eligible for TI or JTI status will have a period (three months) after successfully completing their course, in which they can make an application under the old competence standard to be accepted as a Trainee Sign Language Interpreter.

- Those who are committed to starting a course of training by October 2012 that would have made them eligible for TI or JTI status will have a period (three months) after finishing their course in which they can make an application under the old competence standard.

Full details of new titles and individual transitional arrangements for each category are available at www.nrcpd.org.uk/news

I hope the information in this letter is of use to you. If any element is not immediately clear, please don't hesitate to contact me for clarification.

Best regards

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Paul Parsons', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Paul Parsons
Director