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### **Notice to applicants for funding of staff positions**

At its meeting on 15 August 2006, the Panel considered the term for which it approves applications for funding of staff positions.

The Panel noted that its practice to date has been to consider applications for funding of salaried positions when they are received and to approve the funding for the term requested by the applicant. As a result of considering such applications individually, the calculation and management of the Panel's annual funding allocation budget is made more complex than it need be.

The Panel has therefore decided that as from 15 August 2006 any applications it approves during the 2006/2007 financial year for funding of staff positions will only be funded until 30 June 2007. In addition, in March 2007 the Panel will invite interested advocacy organisations to submit to its April 2007 meeting applications for salary funding for the following financial year. This will enable the Panel to consider such applications as a group and it will place all salary funded positions on a common term.

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Executive Officer  
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