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The British Acupuncture Council (BAcC) welcomes the report out today Monday 16th June from the Department of Health Steering Group on the Regulation of Acupuncture, Herbal Medicine and Traditional Chinese Medicine. The report recommends the statutory regulation of acupuncture through the Health Professions Council as soon as is practicable. This has brought a successful conclusion to a process in which the BAcC has been involved for well over a decade and to which it has made a major contribution.

CEO of the British Acupuncture Council, Mike O'Farrell said; "The report highlights the need to protect the public from poorly trained practitioners. Long aware of this, the BAcC has been in the forefront of setting and promoting standards of excellence for the acupuncture profession. Our educational guidelines, safe practice standards, professional conduct procedures and accreditation body are at least the equivalent in quality of those of professions already regulated. The BAcC has been working tirelessly alongside the two other professions of herbal medicine and traditional chinese medicine to ensure that the transition to statutory regulation are based on true parity of standards".



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