

SCHEDULE

THE GENERAL MEDICAL COUNCIL (REGISTRATION APPEALS PANELS PROCEDURE) RULES 2005

Public and private hearings

- 11.**—(1) The Panel shall sit in private, unless an appellant requests it to sit in public.
- (2) The Panel shall deliberate in the absence of the parties.
- (3) Where a Panel sits in public it may, of its own volition or upon the application of a witness or any of the parties, exclude the public for any part of the proceedings provided that it is satisfied that—
- (a) a decision to exclude the public causes no prejudice to the appellant; and
 - (b) the decision is made after hearing representations from the parties.
- (4) The Panel may exclude from the whole or part of any hearing, any person whose conduct, in its opinion, has disrupted or is likely to disrupt the proceedings.