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BPS Accreditation

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Email from BPS

Dear Roslyn

Thank you for your email. At the last NAC meeting in September we updated the NAC on discussions within the BPS regarding accreditation of CYP IAPT curricula. We have discussed IPT-A at length within the relevant governance groups here and have reached the view that, at this stage, we remain unable to offer to take this on within our accreditation portfolio. A key area we have been debating is whether it is the Society's place to begin accrediting specific psychological therapies such as IPT; the view is that this could set an unhelpful precedent and therefore this is not something we can take on. It was agreed at the last NAC that Lynne Hall or Kevin Gwilt would discuss this with you with a view towards exploring potential alternative solutions.

I have copied in Catherine Gallup and Julia Faulconbridge who are the co-Chairs of our CYP-IAPT working group for their information. We appreciate your frustration with the lack of progress but the decision of our Membership and Standards Board is that this is not an appropriate area for the Society to extend its accreditation services to at this point.

Best wishes

Lucy

(Partnership & Accreditation Manager)