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Reiki Federation Ireland (RFI) Update on Self Regulation (November 2010 to January 2011)

Summary

- RFI Letter of Communication to Chief Executive HETAC: 1st Dec 2010.
- Response letter from HETAC to RFI: 14th January 2011
- RFI Letter of Communication to NSAI: 9th November 2010.
- Acknowledgement email received from NSAI to RFI: January 2011
- RFI Letter requesting meeting with the Minister of Health & Children, Mary Harney TD: 1st November 2010
- RFI and Department of Health and Children Senior Officials meet 28th January 2011 to discuss RFI Self Regulation and progressing Reiki in Mainstream Health.
- RFI Minutes with Department of Health & Children Minutes confirmed and Minutes accepted by both parties: 11th April 2011.

We thank FICTA for passing on correspondence to us (RFI) in November 2010, referencing HETAC, NSAI and Department of Health. These letters supported RFI in corresponding to the Department of Health, HETAC and NSAI.

RFI & Dept of Health & Children Meeting: 28th January 2011

At the end of January we had a meeting with Senior Officials in the Department of Health & Children.

This was a big step for RFI to have a direct meeting with the Dept of Health specifically about Reiki.

Patricia Sheehan and Abby Wynne represented RFI. The meeting was originally planned to be with Minister Mary Harney TD. However with her resignation, we requested the meeting to go ahead with the senior officials. This meeting was mainly communicating RFI being the National Reiki Body and all the work we have done with respect to self regulation in Ireland and how we want to move forward. One of our objectives is to liaise with Government and Health Bodies to promote the purpose and objective of RFI. With this in mind we formally wrote to HETAC and NSAI communicating that as a result of the NWG launched by Minister in 2006, we set up professional working groups with our members and have defined Training guidelines. Also stating that it is paramount that in the interest of public safety that the Professional Body who work in the field define the professional requirements



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and standards. The Chief Executive of HETAC acknowledged RFI in developing self-regulation

and Codes of practice. NSAI also replied acknowledging receipt of our letter and communication.

Our intention for communication at this level is to be known as the professional body that is credible, trained, professional and serving health and well-being in Ireland.

Patricia Sheehan
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