

## **Position Statement: Medicals for Taxi Licences**

## 1 August 2018

It has been brought to our attention that the advice on our website about Taxi Medicals dated 8 May 2018 had not been updated. Following concerns raised by many GPs about the wording on the taxi medical forms that were being used, the LMC engaged with the various Borough and City Councils and they agreed to amend the wording on their declarations. They had previously stated:

Meets relevant DVLA Group 2 medical standards for vocational drivers and is *fit* to drive a Hackney Carriage or Private Hire vehicle to Group 2 Standards.

The revised wording states:

Meets relevant DVLA Group 2 medical standards for vocational drivers.

This satisfied our concerns and the LMC no longer has any objection to GPs completing these forms. You should be aware that this does not alter our position that this is unfunded non-contractual work and that GPs have the right to either refuse to complete this work, or if they chose to complete the work then they are entitled to charge a fee.

Please accept my apology for any confusion this may have caused.

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For further information, or to arrange an interview, please contact: Dr Susie Bayley, Head of Communications, Derby and Derbyshire LMC

The information provided in this document is correct at the time of publication. Please see the Derby and Derbyshire LMC website for any revisions.

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