

Reviewing the regulators

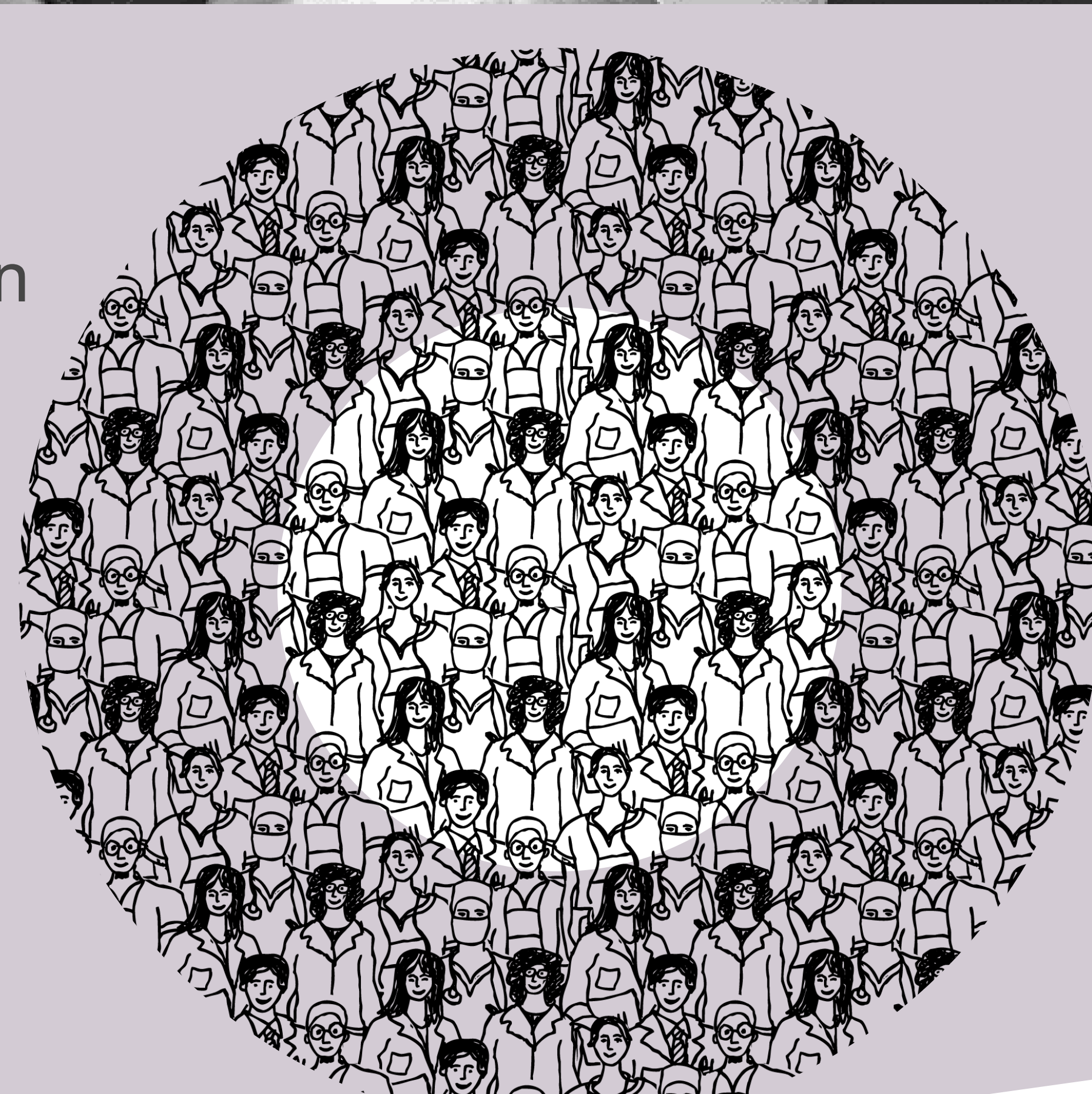


PROTECTING THE PUBLIC

We help to protect the public by improving the regulation and registration of people who work in health and care.

We do this by:

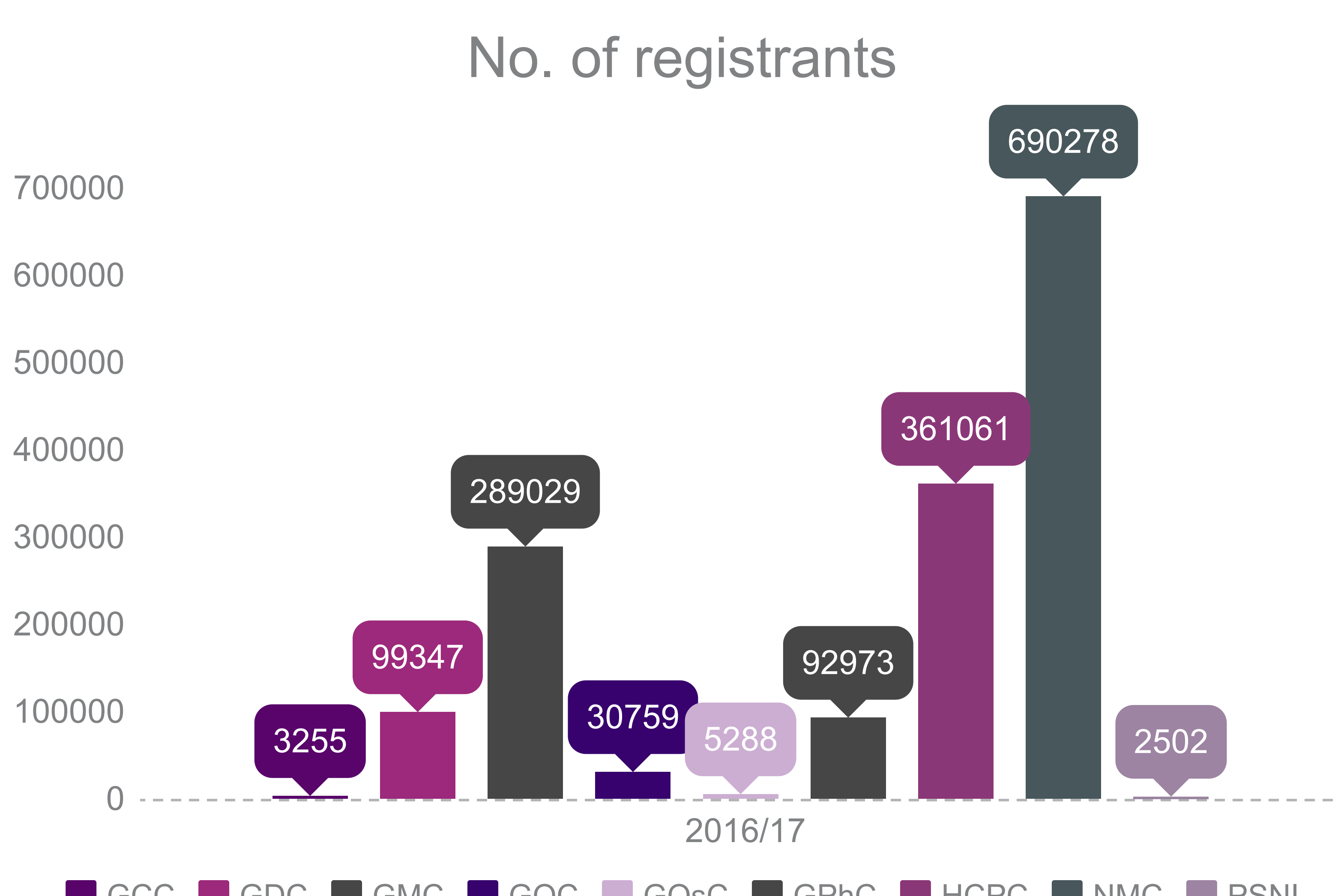
- reviewing the nine health and care statutory regulators
- improving regulation through our work in policy and research
- accrediting registers of health and care practitioners who are not regulated by law



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We review the performance of the nine health and care statutory regulators. This includes reviewing how the regulators are meeting our Standards of Good Regulation and scrutinising final fitness to practise panel decisions.



Scrutinising final fitness to practise decisions



4,095
Number of fitness to practise determinations notified to us by the regulators



265
Detailed case reviews undertaken



35
Case meetings held



8
Number of fitness to practise decisions we referred to Court

Performance reviews

We produce individual performance reviews for each of the nine regulators. We assess their performance against our 24 Standards of Good Regulation to check how well they are protecting the public. During 2017/18 we published seven performance reviews. (The NMC performance review was published in June 2018 and the GOC review is being finalised.)

There are 24 Standards of Good Regulation covering the regulators' four core functions

2017/18: how are the regulators meeting the Standards?

Core Function	Regulator	Standards Met
Guidance & Standards	General Chiropractic Council	23
	General Dental Council	23
Education & Training	General Medical Council	24
	General Optical Council*	22
Registration	General Osteopathic Council	24
	General Pharmaceutical Council	24
Fitness to Practise	Health & Care Professions Council	18
	Nursing & Midwifery Council**	23
	Pharmaceutical Society of Northern Ireland	24

*The GOC 2017/18 has not yet been published. This is how many Standards it met in 2016/17.
**The NMC report was published after year end on 4 June 2018.

Reviewing the Standards of Good Regulation



We received 29 responses to our consultation on how we should review the Standards.

We use the Standards of Good Regulation as part of our performance review process to check how well the regulators are protecting the public. Our current Standards have been in place since 2010 so we thought the time was right to check if they are still fit for purpose. We launched a consultation in June 2017. We have used the feedback to help us draft a new set of Standards and launched a second consultation on these more detailed proposals in June 2018.