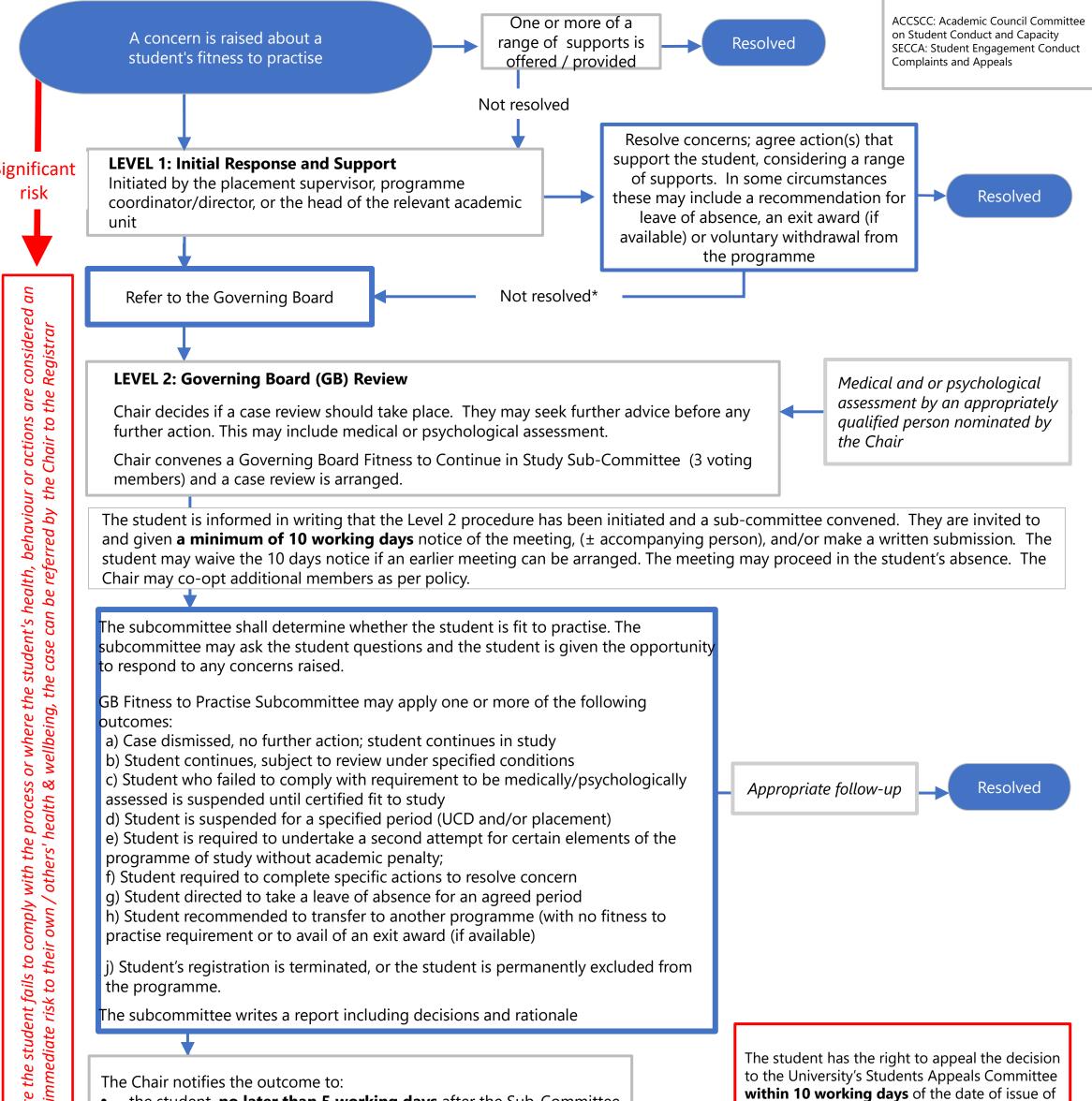
ACCSCC records the case and the outcome

## **Student Fitness to Practise Process Map Part 1: Fitness to Practise**

a concern is raised regarding a student's fitness to practise. The objectives of this policy include protecting the public, patients, animals, students, faculty, staff, placement providers and the University; Identifying and supporting students whose behaviour, capacity, welfare or wellbeing are of concern to themselves or others; providing a framework for effective, consistent and timely identification and management of Student Fitness to Practise concerns that may arise.

Programmes' Fitness to Practise Statements are published by relevant programmes to provide clear information to students about the specific standards of behaviour and professionalism required in the context of their programme area

Start / end **Process** Outcome / decision



the decision of the Sub-committee

irregularity, disproportionate outcome

Grounds for appeal: new evidence, procedural

## **Student Fitness to Practise Process Map Part 2: Return to Study**

The University is committed to assisting students to return to study where a return to study is appropriate. Students wishing to return to study following a period of suspension or where they were directed to take a leave of absence must satisfy the Chair of the Governing Board, in accordance with this policy, that they are fit to return to study and that they have complied with any conditions attached to their return.

Start / end

**Process** 

Outcome / decision

A student who previously suspended or on leave of absence, who wishes to return to study, must satisfy the Chair of the Governing Board that they are fit to study and have complied with any conditions attached to their return

ACCSCC: Academic Council Committee on Student Conduct and Capacity SECCA: Student Engagement Conduct Complaints and Appeals

A request to return to study must be made in writing by the student to the Chair of the Governing Board

The student must provide evidence to demonstrate that the reasons why they were suspended or directed to take a leave of absence have been satisfactorily addressed; and / or that they are certified by an appropriately qualified person to be fit to continue with their studies

The Chair of the Governing Board convenes a meeting of the Student Fitness to Practise Subcommittee to review the application to return to study, and make a decision on whether the applicant should be admitted\* or readmitted or be considered unfit to practise as a student indefinitely.

The Subcommittee decides that the student be admitted or readmitted

The Subcommittee decides that the student is unfit indefinitely\*\*

Offer student a final opportunity to voluntarily withdraw or to avail of an exit award (if available)

The student returns to study

The student's registration is terminated

The Chair notifies:

- the outcome to the student
- ACCSCC via SECCA and Registry, where appropriate

SECCA records the case and the outcome

<sup>\*\*</sup> Where a student's registration was terminated, or they were excluded from a programme, they are not eligible to return to the programme. Any subsequent applications to other programmes with fitness to practise requirements will be flagged and considered by the Chair of the relevant Governing Board in consultation with the Fitness to Practise Subcommittee Chair that terminated the student's registration or excluded the student from the programme.