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Home Office consultation on Delivering the Government's Policies to Cut Alcohol Fuelled Crime and Anti-social Behaviour

1. I write with regard to the Home Office consultation on delivering the Government's Policies to Cut Alcohol Fuelled Crime and Anti-Social Behaviour.
2. The Royal College of General Practitioners is the largest membership organisation in the United Kingdom solely for GPs. Founded in 1952, it has over 46,000 members who are committed to improving patient care, developing their own skills and promoting general practice as a discipline. We are an independent professional body with enormous expertise in patient-centred generalist clinical care. Through our General Practice Foundation, established by the RCGP in 2009, we maintain close links with other professionals working in General Practice, such as practice managers, nurses and physician assistants.
3. The College welcomes the opportunity to respond to this consultation. We are part of the Alcohol Health Alliance UK (AHA UK), chaired by Sir Ian Gilmore, former President of the Royal College of Physicians, and we support the attached AHA UK response which we understand has already been submitted.

4. The College believes that minimum pricing is a major step forward. We hope it will start a chain reaction to encourage pubs and supermarkets to act more responsibly over the sale of alcohol and, in turn, bring about a societal change in attitudes and behaviour so that people will drink less.

Yours sincerely

