

Communiqué

July 2016 meeting of the Chiropractic Board of Australia

The Chiropractic Board of Australia (the Board) is established under the Health Practitioner Regulation National Law, as in force in each state and territory (the National Law).

The Board meets each month to consider and decide on any matters related to its regulatory function within the National Registration and Accreditation Scheme (the National Scheme).

This communiqué aims to inform stakeholders of the work of the Board. Please forward it on to colleagues and employees who may be interested in its content.

Review of codes and standards

The Board agreed to start an early review of the [Code of Conduct](#) for chiropractors and the Board's [registration standard for continuing professional development](#) (CPD).

The Code of Conduct for chiropractors applies only to registered chiropractors while several other health professions have a shared code of conduct. The Board has agreed to join other Boards who use the shared code of conduct in jointly reviewing the content of these standards. The Board has also decided to start a review of its CPD registration standard and guidelines. Unlike the Code of Conduct, these documents are not scheduled for review in the near future, but the Board has determined an early review to ensure the standards are contemporary and relevant.

The Board will be consulting and engaging with professional and community stakeholders about these two documents over the coming months and looks forward to receiving feedback about any proposed changes.

Newsletter

The Board has released its [latest Newsletter](#) which provides important information and advice to both practitioners and the public on the regulation of chiropractors. Of particular note is further advice about advertising, care of children, and kickbacks and secret commissions.

Chiropractic notifications in the media

The Board and AHPRA have received a number of enquiries about cases that have been reported in the media. The National Law has strict privacy provisions and neither the Board nor AHPRA can discuss individual matters to protect the integrity of any processes that may apply. Where it is permitted and necessary to publish information about an individual practitioner, the Board will do so either on the National Public register and/or by media release.

Are your contact details up to date?

It is important that your contact details are up to date to receive renewal reminders from AHPRA and information from the Board. You can check your details via the [Login icon](#) at the top right of the AHPRA website. Email accounts need to be set to receive communications from AHPRA and the Board to avoid misdirection to an account junk box.

Conclusion

The National Board publishes a range of information about registration and the National Board's expectations of practitioners on its website at www.chiropracticboard.gov.au or www.ahpra.gov.au.

For more information or help with questions about your registration please send an [online enquiry form](#) or contact AHPRA on 1300 419 495.

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