

## Communiqué

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### December 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.

The December 2016 meeting was held in the AHPRA National Office Melbourne.

#### 2017 planning

In 2016, the Board hosted a number of stakeholder events and published several vodcasts and other media items to assist practitioners understanding and implementing the requirements of the Board.

2017 will be another busy year for the Board with more stakeholder events planned, along with other communication items to support the work of the Board. The Board is looking forward to having further high quality engagements with stakeholders to advance and improve the effectiveness of their work under the National Law.

#### Registration renewal

Chiropractors were due to renew their registration by 30 November. AHPRA forwarded registration renewal information to all registered chiropractors.

If you didn't renew your registration on time, you can still renew until **31 December 2016**, but a late fee will apply. The quickest and easiest way to do this is [online](#).

Practitioners, who haven't renewed by 31 December 2016, will have their registration lapse. Their name will be removed from the public register. This means they must make a new application for registration and will **not be able to practise** until their application has been finalised and their registration details are updated on the national register.

Fast track application forms will be available on the Board's website under *Forms* or by phoning the AHPRA Customer Service Team on 1300 419 495 during January only.

Chiropractors who do not want to renew their registration to keep practising can simply ignore the reminders from AHPRA or go online to 'opt out' of renewing. Using the 'opt out' service puts a stop to renewal reminders.

An FAQ about renewal is available on the [Board's website](#).

### **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.

### **Season's greetings**

The Board would like to wish all practitioners, stakeholders and their families and loved ones a safe and happy festive season and looks forward to another productive year working together in 2017.

### **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](http://www.chiropracticboard.gov.au) or [www.ahpra.gov.au](http://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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