

# Communiqué

# November 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 November 2016 meeting was held by teleconference.

### Supporting renewal with vodcasts

To support practitioners during the renewal period, the Board is publishing vodcasts on revised registration standards over the coming weeks.

The series will support registered practitioners to understand their obligations regarding the recently revised registration standards on continuing professional development (CPD), professional indemnity insurance (PII) arrangements and recency of practice. The vodcasts are available on the Board's website.

#### 2015/16 National Scheme annual report

AHPRA and the National Boards have released their 2015/16 annual report on the National Registration and Accreditation Scheme (the National Scheme), providing a comprehensive record of the operations of the National Scheme for the 12 months ending 30 June 2016.

The Board intensified its focus on ensuring the public has access to safe and competent health services from registered chiropractors during 2015/16.

The Board published and implemented revised registration standards for professional indemnity insurance arrangements, recency of practice and continuing professional development, as well as developing protocols to analyse notifications data to assist the board in gaining a better understanding of the trends and risks in matters brought to the board's attention.

For detailed data and information relating to the Board in 2015/16, please see the 2015/16 annual report. The report provides a nationwide snapshot of the work of AHPRA and the Boards and highlights a multi profession approach to risk-based regulation with a clear focus on ensuring that Australians have a safe and competent health workforce.

Supplementary tables that break down data across categories such as registrations, notifications, statutory offences, tribunals and appeals, and monitoring and compliance can also be found on the annual report website.

In the coming months, AHPRA and the National Boards will also publish summaries of our work regulating health practitioners in every state and territory, which will be released in late 2016. Expanded, profession-specific summaries will also be released and progressively published from early 2017.

# 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 <u>Login icon</u> 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 <a href="https://www.chiropracticboard.gov.au">www.chiropracticboard.gov.au</a> or <a href="https://www.ahpra.gov.au">www.ahpra.gov.au</a>.

For more information or help with questions about your registration please send an <u>online enquiry form</u> or contact AHPRA on 1300 419 495.

# **Dr Wayne Minter AM**

Chiropractor
Chair
Chiropractic Board of Australia
23 November 2016