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# **Application for general registration**

Symbols in this form

Attention

Additional information

Signature required

Completing this form

Use a black or blue pen only.

Read and complete all questions.

Place X in all applicable boxes: 🗴

DO NOT send original documents.

Profession: Chinese medicine

### Part 7 Division 6 of the Health Practitioner Regulation National Law (the National Law)

Provides specific information about a question or section of the form.

Processing cannot occur until all required documents are received.

Requires delivery of documents by an organisation or the applicant.

Requests appropriate parties to sign the form where indicated.

Ensure that all pages and required attachments are returned to Ahpra.

Do not use staples or glue, or affix sticky notes to your application.

Please ensure all supporting documents are on A4 size paper.

Highlights important information about the form.

Attach document(s) to this form

Mail document(s) directly to Ahpra

Print clearly in BLOCK LETTERS

This form is for applying for general registration as a Chinese medicine registrant in Australia.

It is important that you refer to the Chinese Medicine Board of Australia (the Board) registration standards before completing this application. Registration standards and other relevant codes and guidelines can be found at **www.chinesemedicineboard.gov.au** 



This application will not be considered unless it is complete and all supporting documentation requested has been provided. Any non-English documents submitted must be accompanied by an English language translation. Supporting documentation must be certified in accordance with the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (Ahpra) guidelines. For more information, see *Certifying documents* in the *Information and definitions* section of this form.

# **Privacy and confidentiality**

The Board and Ahpra are committed to protecting your personal information in accordance with the *Privacy Act 1988* (Cth). The ways the Board and Ahpra may collect, use and disclose your information are set out in the collection statement relevant to this application, available at **www.ahpra.gov.au/privacy**.

By signing this form, you confirm that you have read the collection statement. Ahpra's privacy policy explains how you may access and seek correction of your personal information held by Ahpra and the Board, how to complain to Ahpra about a breach of your privacy and how your complaint will be dealt with. This policy can be accessed at **www.ahpra.gov.au/privacy**.

# **SECTION A:** Registration division(s)

1. In which division(s) of the profession are you applying for registration?

Mark all options applicable to your application

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Acupuncturist

Chinese herbal medicine practitioner

Chinese herbal dispenser

# **SECTION B:** Personal details

The information items in this section of the application marked with an asterisk (\*) will appear on the public register.

2. What is your name and date of birth?

Title*	MR 🔀	MRS 🔀	MISS 🔀	MS 🔀	DR 🔀	OTHER	SPECIFY	
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### Effective from: 10 April 2025

# 3. What are your birth and personal details?

City/Subu	b/Town of b	irth						
State/Terri	tory of birth	(if within A	ustralia)					
VIC 🔀	NSW 🔀	QLD 🔀	SA 🔀	WA 🔀	NT 🔀	tas 🔀	ACT 🔀	
Sex* MALE 🔀	FE	Male 🔀	INTER	SEX / INDETE	rminate 🔀	]		
Languages	s spoken flu	ently other t	han English	n (optional)*				

# SECTION C: Proof of identity

You must provide proof of your identity with this application. Please refer to the *Proof of identity requirements* available at www.ahpra.gov.au/identity.

4. Are you applying for registration from within Australia?

You **must** only use of document once.

The documents provided **must** meet the following criteria:

- At least **one** document must be in your current name.
- Your category B document **must** have a recent photo.
- All documents must be officiall translated into English. Please refer to *Translating documents* at www.ahpra.gov.au/translate for further information.
- If using your passport, a certified copy of the identity information page (the photo page) must be provided.
- For documents containing a photograph, the following certification statement must be included by the authorised officer, 'I certify that this is a true copy of the original and the photograph is a true likeness of the person presenting the document as sighted by me.'
- All documents must be true certified copies of the original.
   See *Certifying documents* in the *Information and definitions* section of this form for more information.

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ou **must** attach a certified copy of **all** proof of identity documents that you have Idicated above.

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• All documents **must** be true certified copies of the original. See *Certifying documents* in the *Information and definitions* section of this form for more information.

# **SECTION D:** Contact information

Once registered, you can change your contact information at any time.

Please go to www.ahpra.gov.au/login to change your contact details using your online account.

7. What are your contact details?

Provide your current contact details belo	w – place an 🗶	next to your preferred contact phone number.
Business hours		Mobile
	$\mathbf{X}$	
After hours		
Email		

# 8. What is your residential address?

When you are not yet practising, or when you are not practising the profession predominantly at one address:

- your residential address will be recognised as your principal place of practice; and
- the information items marked with an asterisk (\*) will appear on the public register as your principal place of practice.

Refer to the question below for the definition of principal place of practice.

Residential address **cannot** be a PO Box.

Site/building and/or	position/department (if a	pplicable)	
Address (e.g. 123 JAI	MES AVENUE; or UNIT 1A, 3	0 JAMES STREET)	
City/Suburb/Town*			
State/Territory (e.g. V	/IC, ACT) <b>/International pro</b>	vince* Postcode/ZIP*	
Country (if other tha	n Australia)		

### 9. Will the address of your principal place of practice be the same as your residential address?

Principal place of practice for a registered health practitioner is:

- the address at which you will predominantly practise the profession; or
- your principal place of residence, if you are not practising the profession or are not practising the profession predominantly at one address.

Principal place of practice **cannot** be a PO Box.

The information items marked with an asterisk (\*) will appear on the public register.

'es 📉	NO <b>Provide your Australian principal place of practice below</b>	,
Site/building and/or position/depart	ent (if applicable)	
Address (e.g. 123 JAMES AVENUE; or	IIT 1A, 30 JAMES STREET)	
City/Suburb/Town*		
State/Territory* (e.g. VIC, ACT)	Postcode*	

### 10. What is your mailing address?

Your mailing address is used for postal correspondence

My residential address

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My principal place of practice

Other (Provide your mailing address below)

# Site/building and/or position/department (if applicable)

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# **SECTION E:** Qualification for the profession

In accordance with section 52 of the National Law, to be eligible for general registration you must be gualified for general registration in the health profession. Section 53 of the National Law states that to be qualified you must hold either:

(a) an approved qualification for the health profession

YES

- (b) a qualification that the National Board considers to be substantially equivalent, or based on similar competencies to an approved qualification
- (c) a qualification, not referred to in (a) or (b), relevant to the health profession and have successfully completed an examination or other assessment required by the National Board for the purpose of general registration in the health profession, or
- (d) a qualification, not referred to in (a) or (b), that under the National Law, or a corresponding prior Act, qualified you for general registration in the health profession and you were previously registered on the basis of holding that qualification.

The Board's website contains information on approved qualifications accepted under point (a) and examinations or assessments accepted under point (c) above.

If you are applying for registration in more than one division you are required to provide documentation for all applicable division(s).

NO

Go to the next question

### 11. Do you hold a qualification approved by the Board?

If you are a new Australian graduate and are yet to have your degree conferred, you are unable, and therefore not required, to provide a copy of your degree certificate with	Details and attachment required below – then go to Section F: Registration history         Approved qualification         Title of qualification         Division of registration applicable to										
your application. Your application will be processed when the Board receives advice direct from your education provider	Name of institution (University/College/Examining body)										
that you have met the requirements of the course and are entitled to the qualification.	Country or state/territory (Australian qualifications only)       Start date     Completion date       MM     Y										
	If you are not a new Australian graduate you <b>must</b> attach a certified copy of your original academic transcript or certificate that indicates completion of the qualification mentioned in this form.										
	Attach a separate sheet if all your qualification details do not fit in the space provided.										
12. What are the details of your qualifications and examinations/assessments?	Most recent qualification and examinations/assessments Title of qualification										
	Name of institution (University/College/Examining body)										
	Country										
	Start date     Completion date       MM     /       Y     Y										
	You <b>must</b> attach a certified copy of your original academic transcript and testamur/ qualification certificate that indicates completion of the qualification mentioned in this form.										

Additional qualification and examinations/assessments
Title of qualification
Name of institution (University/College/Examining body)
Country
Start date     Completion date       MM     /       YYYYY
You <b>must</b> attach a certified copy of your original academic transcript and testamur/ qualification certificate that indicates completion of the qualification mentioned in this form.

Attach a separate sheet if all your qualification details do not fit in the space provided.

SECTION F: Registration history

### 13. What is your health practitioner registration history?

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If you have been registered outside of Australia, the Board requires a Certificate of Registration Status or Certificate of Good Standing from **every** jurisdiction outside of Australia in which you are currently, or have previously been registered as a health practitioner **during the past 10 years**.

Certificates **must** be dated within three months of your application being received by Ahpra.



If you have been registered outside of Australia, you **must** arrange for original Certificates of Registration Status or Certificates of Good Standing to be forwarded directly from the registration authority to your Ahpra state office.

Refer to www.ahpra.gov.au/About-Ahpra/Contact-Us for your Ahpra state office address.

Most recent registration
State/Territory/Country
Profession
Period of registration
DD/MM/YYYY to DD/MM/YYYY
Additional registration
State/Territory/Country
Profession
Period of registration
DD/MM/YYYY to DD/MM/YYYY
Attach a separate sheet if all your registration history does not fit within the space provided.

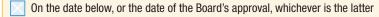
# SECTION G: Registration period

The annual registration period for the Chinese medicine profession is from 1 December – 30 November each year. If your registration is granted in October and November this year, you will be registered until 30 November next year. If your registration is granted before October, you will be registered until 30 November this year and you must renew your registration by 30 November.

### 14. If this application is approved, when would you like your general registration to begin?

You can opt to have your registration start on the date of the Board's approval or a date nominated by you, up to 90 days into the future, as long as the date is later than the Board's approval. For more information, see *Registration approval dates* in the *Information and definitions* section of the form.

On the date of the Board's approval





You can't start practising until registration has been granted. Please consider if the date you have nominated gives you time to complete any pre-employment or pre-training program requirements. You can update this date by contacting your Regulatory Officer at any time until we finalise your application.

Once your registration has been granted, you cannot change your registration start date.

# **SECTION H:** Suitability statements

Information required by the Board to assess your suitability for registration is detailed in the following questions. It is recommended that you provide as much information as possible to enable the Board to reach an expeditious and informed decision. Please note that registration is dependent on suitability as defined in the National Law, and the requirements set out in the Board's registration standards. Refer to **www.chinesemedicineboard.gov.au/registration-standards** for further information.

NO

15. Do you have any criminal history in Australia?

It is important that you have a clear understanding of the definition of criminal history. For more information, see *Criminal history* in the *Information and definitions* section of this form.



YES

NO

YES

You **must** attach a signed and dated written statement with details of your criminal history

### 16. Do you have any criminal history in one or more countries other than Australia?



For more information, see *Criminal history* in the *Information and definitions* section of this form.

If you answer Yes to this question, you are required to obtain an international criminal history check (ICHC) from an approved vendor, who will provide a check reference number and ICHC reference page. For a list of approved vendors and further information about international criminal history checks, refer to www.ahpra.gov.au/ internationalcriminalhistory. Go to the next question

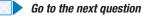
You are required to:

- obtain an international criminal history check from an approved vendor for each country and provide details below, and
- provide details of your criminal history in a signed and dated written statement.

Country		Check reference number
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	<b>ist</b> attach a signed and dated written statement with detai f the countries listed and an explanation of the circumstan	

17. Are there any countries other NO than Australia in which you have lived, or been primarily based, for six consecutive months or longer, when aged 18 years or more?

> If you answer Yes to this question, you are required to obtain an international criminal history check (ICHC) from an approved vendor, who will provide a check reference number and ICHC reference page. For a list of approved vendors and further information about international criminal history checks, refer to www.ahpra.gov.au/ internationalcriminalhistory.



YES

You are required to obtain an international criminal history check from an approved vendor for each country and provide details below

Country	Check reference number			
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## All applicants must demonstrate English language competency via one of the following pathways:

A list of approved recognised countries and an evidence requirements guide is available at www.ahpra.gov.au/Registration/Registration-Standards/
 English-language-skills

### The combined education pathway

You must have a combination of secondary education and qualifications, where you have carried out and successfully completed:

- at least two years of your secondary education which was taught and assessed solely in English in a recognised country, and
- your qualification(s) for your profession, which were taught and assessed solely in English in a recognised country.

### The advanced education pathway

You have carried out and successfully completed at least six years in total of (full-time equivalent) education, all taught and assessed solely in English in a recognised country which includes:

- your qualification(s) for your profession, and
- advanced education (tertiary) at a degree level (<u>AQF level 7</u> or higher) which requires you to read, write, listen to and speak English.

A maximum of two years break while obtaining your qualifications and advanced education will be accepted.

The last period of education must have been completed no more than two years before applying for registration.

### The school education pathway

Your main language is English and you have carried out and successfully completed:

- at least 10 years of your primary and secondary school education which was taught and assessed solely in English in a recognised country, and
- your qualification(s) for your profession, which were taught and assessed in any country solely in English.

#### The test pathway

You have achieved the required minimum scores in one of the approved English language tests and meet the requirement for test results as specified in the Appendix of the Board's English language skills registration standard.

### 18. Which one of the English language competency pathways do you meet?

Ahpra may verify the information you provide below. For more information, see *English language skills* in the *Information and definitions* section of this form. If a qualification that was relied on for registration is not an approved program of study, you **must** provide confirmation that the course was taught and assessed solely in English. A list of approved programs of study is available at **www.ahpra.gov.au/Accreditation/Approved-Programs-of-Study** 

### The combined education pathway

Provide details of secondary and tertiary education in the table below, then go to question 22

The advanced education pathway

Provide details of vocational and tertiary education in the table below, then go to question 22

### The school education pathway

This is a declaration that English is your primary language. Provide details of primary, secondary and tertiary education in the table below, *then go to question 22* 

The test pathway

You do not need to complete the table below. Go to question 19

### Complete the following table of education undertaken in chronological order (earliest to most recent):

Timeframe	Level of education	Program name If applicable	Education institution Specify name and address	Recognised country If applicable	Study status
Study commenced:	<b>Primary</b>				Full time
MMYYYY	Secondary				Part time
Study completed:	<b>Vocational</b>				
MMYYYY	Tertiary				
Study commenced:	Primary				Full time
MMYYYY	Secondary				Part time
Study completed:	Vocational				
MMYYYY	Tertiary				
Study commenced:	<b>Primary</b>				Full time
MMYYYY	Secondary				Part time
Study completed:	Vocational				
MMYYYY	Tertiary				



Please attach a separate sheet with any additional details that do not fit in the space provided above.

If a qualification specified above was relied on for registration and is **not** an approved program of study, you **must** provide a certified copy of your academic transcript confirming that the course was taught and assessed solely in English.

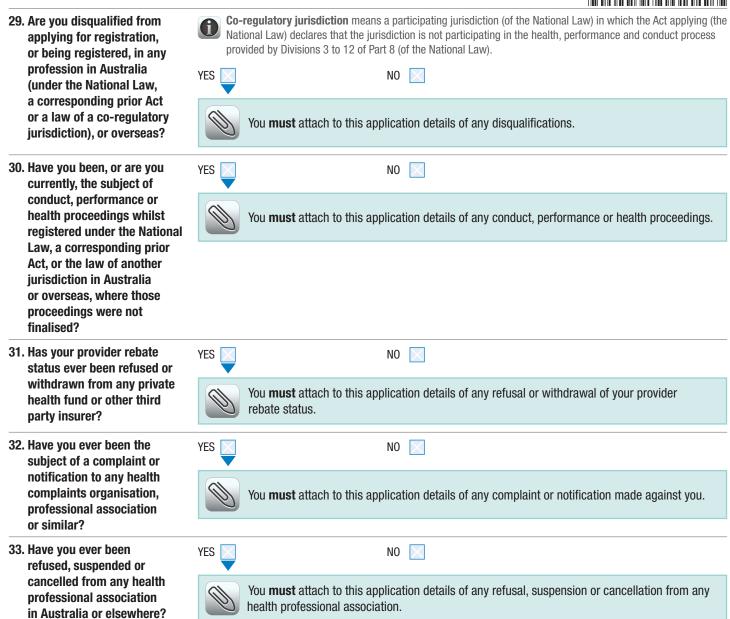
If the transcript does not confirm that the course was taught and assessed solely in English, you **must** arrange for a letter in the required form to be provided directly to Ahpra by the education provider confirming that the course was taught and assessed solely in English.

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19. Were your results from the English language tests obtained in one or two	In certain circumstances, you can use English language test results from a maximum of two test sittings in a 12 month period. For more information, refer to the Board's <i>English language skills registration standard</i> . One sitting Provide date of test below, then go to the next question and complete details for one sitting
sittings?	Two sittings Provide dates below, then go to the next question and complete details for both sittings
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	e tests have you successfully completed? The test(s) you are relying on and attach a copy of your test results.
	Proficiency) Verification number – sitting two (if applicable): h a minimum overall score of 185 in the listening, reading, and speaking components, and a minimum score of 176
in the writing component. International English Language T Test report form number – sitting or	Test System (IELTS) Academic module one: Test report form number – sitting two (if applicable):
The Board requires the IELTS (acad components, and a minimum score	lemic module) with a minimum overall score of 7 and a minimum score of 7 in the listening, reading, and speaking
Candidate number – sitting one: The Board requires the OET with a component.	Candidate number – sitting two (if applicable):         minimum score of B in the listening, reading, and speaking components, and a minimum score of C+ in the writing
Pearson Test of English Academic Registration ID – sitting one:	Registration ID – sitting two (if applicable):         mic with a minimum overall score of 66 and a minimum score of 66 in the listening, reading, and speaking
	um of 56 in the writing communicative skill. guage internet-based test (TOEFL iBT) Registration number – sitting two (if applicable):
The Board requires the TOEFL iBT v speaking.	with a minimum total score of 94 and the minimum scores of 24 for listening, 24 for reading, 24 for writing, and 23 for
the reference number(s), s	est(s) were completed within the past two years, you <b>must</b> provide a copy of your test results, including so that Ahpra can verify your results. est(s) were not completed within the past two years, you <b>must</b> provide a certified copy of your results.
21. Were your results from the above-mentioned English language tests obtained in the past two years?	<ul> <li>YES NO </li> <li>In order for your results to be accepted, within 12 months of completing your test(s) you must have commenced of continuous employment as a registered health practitioner or in another relevant health, disability, or aged car related role where English was the primary language of practice in a recognised country, and/or</li> <li>continuous enrolment in an approved program of study.</li> <li>You must lodge this application within 12 months of completing the employment and/or program of study.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>You must attach a certified copy of your English language test results, and:</li> <li>your CV and a letter from employer(s) or a professional referee in the required form confirming continuous employment as a registered health practitioner or in another relevant health, disability, or aged care related role in a recognised country (if you are relying on continuous employment over two years in duration, only two years is required), and/or</li> <li>an academic transcript evidencing that you were enrolled continuously in a Board-approved program of study that commenced within 12 months of sitting the English language test, and that you completed your study no longer than 12 months before lodging your application.</li> </ul>

When practising, you must have appropriate professional indemnity arrangements in place that meet the Board's 22. In the coming year, do you **(i)** registration standard. commit to meet the Board's For more information, see Professional indemnity insurance in the Information and definitions section of this form Professional indemnity or the full registration standard online at www.chinesemedicineboard.gov.au/Registration-Standards. insurance registration standard? YES 🔀 NO To meet the Board's Recency of practice registration standard, you are required to have practised: 23. Do you meet the Board's recency of practice at least 450 hours within the previous three years, or requirements? 150 hours within the previous 12 months in your intended scope of practice. • If you don't meet the standard, you will be required to provide information to help the Board make a decision about your application. For more information, see Recency of practice in the Information and definitions section of this form or the full registration standard online at www.chinesemedicineboard.gov.au/Registration/Forms. N/A I am a recent graduate and my qualification for registration was awarded in the last two years. Go to auestion 25 YFS Go to question 25 Go to the next question NO 24. Have you undergone and YES You must attach evidence of having passed an approved formal competency passed an approved formal assessment as determined by the Board. competency assessment as determined by the Board within the past three years? NO You **must** attach evidence of your practice history that includes: a signed and dated CV detailing your registration practice history including time away from practice and the nature and scope of practice prior to your break from practice details of any continuing professional development or education completed, or professional contact maintained during your break from practice, and a proposed plan for re-entry to professional practice than includes information • about your intended field of practice. 25. Do you have an impairment For more information, see Impairment in the Information and definitions section of this form. G that detrimentally affects. or is likely to detrimentally YES NO 🔀 affect, your capacity to practise the profession? You **must** attach to this application details of any impairments and how they are managed. 26. Is your registration in NO YES any profession currently suspended or cancelled in Australia (under the National You **must** attach to this application details of any registration suspension or cancellation. Law or a corresponding prior Act) or overseas? 27. Have you previously had your YES NO registration cancelled, refused or suspended in Australia (under the National Law or You **must** attach to this application details of any cancellation, refusal or suspension. a corresponding prior Act) or overseas? 28. Has your registration ever YES NO been subject to conditions, undertakings or limitations in Australia (under the National You **must** attach to this application details of any conditions, undertakings or limitations.

Law or a corresponding prior

Act) or overseas?





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**Before you sign and date this form,** make sure that you have answered all of the relevant questions correctly and read the statements below. An incomplete form may delay processing and you may be asked to complete a new form. For more information, see the *Information and definitions* section of this form.

# **Obligations of registered health practitioners**

The National Law pt 7 div 11 sub-div 3 establishes the legislative obligations of registered health practitioners. A contravention of these obligations, as detailed at points 1, 2, 4, 5, 6 or 8 below does not constitute an offence but may constitute behaviour for which health, conduct or performance action may be taken by the Board. Registered health practitioners are also obligated to meet the requirements of their Board as established in registration standards, codes and guidelines.

### **Continuing professional development**

1. A registered health practitioner must undertake the continuing professional development required by an approved registration standard for the health profession in which the practitioner is registered.

### Professional indemnity insurance arrangements

- A registered health practitioner must not practise the health profession in which the practitioner is registered unless appropriate professional indemnity insurance arrangements are in force in relation to the practitioner's practice of the profession.
- 3. A National Board may, at any time by written notice, require a registered health practitioner registered by the Board to give the Board evidence of the appropriate professional indemnity insurance arrangements that are in force in relation to the practitioner's practice of the profession.
- 4. A registered health practitioner must not, without reasonable excuse, fail to comply with a written notice given to the practitioner under point 3 above.

### Notice of certain events

- 5. A registered health practitioner must, within 7 days after becoming aware that a relevant event has occurred in relation to the practitioner, give the National Board that registered the practitioner written notice of the event. *Relevant event* means—
  - a) the practitioner is charged, whether in a participating jurisdiction or elsewhere, with an offence punishable by 12 months imprisonment or more; or
  - b) the practitioner is convicted of or the subject of a finding of guilt for an offence, whether in a participating jurisdiction or elsewhere, punishable by imprisonment; or
  - c) appropriate professional indemnity insurance arrangements are no longer in place in relation to the practitioner's practice of the profession; or
  - d) the practitioner's right to practise at a hospital or another facility at which health services are provided is withdrawn or restricted because of the practitioner's conduct, professional performance or health; or
  - e) the practitioner's billing privileges are withdrawn or restricted under the *Human Services (Medicare) Act 1973* (Cth) because of the practitioner's conduct, professional performance or health; or
  - f) the practitioner's authority under a law of a State or Territory to administer, obtain, possess, prescribe, sell, supply or use a scheduled medicine or class of scheduled medicines is cancelled or restricted; or
     a) a complaint is made about the practitioner to the following entities
    - a complaint is made about the practitioner to the following entities—
      (i) the chief executive officer under the *Human Services (Medicare) Act* 1973 (Cth);
    - (ii) an entity performing functions under the *Health Insurance Act 1973* (Cth);
    - (iii) the Secretary within the meaning of the *National Health Act 1953* (Cth);
    - (iv) the Secretary to the Department in which the *Migration Act 1958* (Cth) is administered;
    - (v) another Commonwealth, State or Territory entity having functions relating to professional services provided by health practitioners or the regulation of health practitioners.
  - h) the practitioner's registration under the law of another country that provides for the registration of health practitioners is suspended or cancelled or made subject to a condition or another restriction.

### Change in principal place of practice, address or name

- A registered health practitioner must, within 30 days of any of the following changes happening, give the National Board that registered the practitioner written notice of the change and any evidence providing proof of the change required by the Board
  - a) a change in the practitioner's principal place of practice;
  - b) a change in the address provided by the registered health practitioner as the address the Board should use in corresponding with the practitioner;
  - c) a change in the practitioner's name.

### **Employer's details**

- A National Board may, at any time by written notice given to a health practitioner registered by the Board, ask the practitioner to give the Board the following information—
  - a) information about whether the practitioner is employed by another entity;
  - b) if the practitioner is employed by another entity—(i) the name of the practitioner's employer; and
    - (ii) the address and other contact details of the practitioner's employer.
- 8. The registered health practitioner must not, without reasonable excuse, fail to comply with the notice.

# Consent to nationally coordinated criminal history check

I consent to Ahpra and the National Board, at any time during the next 12 months, obtaining a written report about my criminal history through a nationally coordinated criminal history check. I acknowledge that:

- Ahpra and the National Boards may obtain a written report about my criminal history at any time during the next 12 months
- a complete criminal history, including resolved and unresolved charges, spent convictions, and findings of guilt for which no conviction was recorded, will be released to Ahpra and the National Board
- my personal information currently held by Ahpra and from this form will be provided to the Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission (ACIC) and Australian police agencies for the purpose of conducting a nationally coordinated criminal history check, including all names under which I am or have been known
- my personal information may be used by police for general law enforcement purposes, including those purposes set out in the Australian Crime Commission Act 2002 (Cth)
- my identity information provided with this application will be enrolled with Ahpra and used by Ahpra and the National Board when obtaining a written report about my criminal history at any time during the next 12 months
- if I have not provided any identity information with this application, and Ahpra needs to obtain a written report about by criminal history at any time during the next 12 months, I will provide the required identity information when requested by Ahpra
- Ahpra may validate documents in support of this application, or that I provide when requested at any time during the next 12 months, as evidence of my identity at any time during the next 12 months
- if and when this application for renewal of registration is granted, Ahpra may obtain a written report about my criminal history at any time during the next 12 months for the purpose of:

a) checking a statement made by me in this application for renewal,

b) an audit carried out by the National Board,

c) assessing my ongoing suitability to hold health practitioner registration, including if a complaint is made about me to Ahpra, or

d) considering an application made by me about my health practitioner registration, and

 I may dispute the result of the nationally coordinated criminal history check by contacting Ahpra in the first instance.

# **Declaration**

### I declare that:

- the statements made, and any documents provided, in support of this application are true and correct, and
- I am the person named in this application and in any documents provided. I make this declaration in the knowledge that a false declaration amounts to a contravention of the National Law and may lead to refusal of registration or health, conduct or performance action under the National Law.

I **confirm** that if I advertise any of my services or my business, the advertising\* complies with section 133 of the National Law and the National Board's Adverting Guidelines as it:

- Is not false, misleading or deceptive or likely to be misleading or deceptive
- does not offer a gift, discount or other inducement without stating the terms and conditions of the offer
- does not use testimonials or purported testimonials about the service or business
- does not create an unreasonable expectation of beneficial treatment, and
- does not directly or indirectly encourage the indiscriminate or unnecessary use of my services.

\*For information about advertising obligations please see the advertising resources page on:

## https://www.ahpra.gov.au/Publications/Advertising-hub.aspx

### I acknowledge that:

- the National Board may validate documents provided in support of this application as evidence of my identity
- failure to complete all relevant sections of this application for renewal of registration and to enclose all supporting documentation may result in this application not being accepted
- notices required under the National Law and other correspondence relating to my application for renewal of registration will be sent to me electronically to me via my nominated email address
- Ahpra uses overseas cloud service providers to hold, process, and maintain personal information where this is reasonably necessary to enable Ahpra to perform its functions under the National Law. These providers include Salesforce, whose operations are located in Japan and the United States of America.

I **undertake** to comply with the all relevant legislation and National Board registration standards, codes and guidelines.

I **understand** that personal information that I provide may be given to a third party for regulatory purposes, as authorised or required by the National Law.

Signature of applicant
SIGN HERE
Name of applicant
Date DD / MM / YYYY

# **SECTION J:** Payment

## You are required to pay BOTH an application fee and a registration fee.

Use the table below to select your application fee and registration fee, depending on the number of division(s) you wish to be registered in. Your registration fee depends on your principal place of practice, as applicants whose principal place of practice is New South Wales are entitled to a rebate from the NSW Government.

Application fee:			Registration fee:			Amount payable:
\$ INSERT FEE		+	\$ INSERT FEE		=	\$ INSERT FEE
Number of divisions	Fee		Registration fee	\$512		Applicants <b>must</b> pay 100% of the stated fees
One division of the register \$602			Registration fee for NSW registrants	\$343		at the time of submitting the application.
Two divisions of the register	\$712					
Three divisions of the register	\$766					

## **Registration period**

The annual registration period for the Chinese medicine profession is from 1 December to 30 November. If your application is made between 1 October and 30 November this year, you will be registered until 30 November next year.

### Refund rules

**(i)** 

The application fee is non-refundable. The registration fee will be refunded if the application is not approved.

### 34. Please complete the credit/debit card payment slip below.

Credit/Debit card payment slip – please fill out	
Amount payable	Name on card Cardholder's signature SIGN HERE
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# SECTION K: Checklist



Please label each attachment with the corresponding question number.

### Have the following items been attached or arranged, if required/applicable?

Additional doe	cumentation	Attache
Question 2	Evidence of a change of name	$\times$
Question 4	Certified copies of all documents that provide sufficient evidence of your identity	$\times$
Question 6	Certified copies of all documents that provide sufficient evidence of your identity	$\times$
Question 11	Certified copies of all of your relevant qualifications approved by the Board	$\times$
Question 11	A separate sheet with additional qualification details	$\times$
Question 12	Certified copies of all of your relevant qualifications approved or considered to be equivalent by the Board	$\times$
Question 12	A separate sheet with additional qualification details	$\times$
Question 13	Certificate of registration status or Certificate of Good Standing has been requested from relevant authority	$\times$
Question 13	A separate sheet with additional registration details	$\times$
Question 15	A signed and dated written statement with details of your criminal history in Australia and an explanation of the circumstances	$\times$
Question 16	A separate sheet of additional overseas countries with criminal history and corresponding ICHC reference number	$\times$
Question 16	A signed and dated written statement with details of your criminal history outside Australia and explanation of the circumstances	$\times$
<i>Questions</i> 16 & 17	ICHC reference page provided by the approved vendor	$\times$
Question 17	A separate sheet of additional overseas countries lived in and corresponding ICHC reference number	$\times$
Question 18	A separate sheet with any additional qualification details	$\times$
Question 18	Transcript(s)/letter(s) from education provider confirming that your course was taught and assessed solely in English	$\times$
Question 20	Copy of your English language test results	$\times$
Question 21	Certified copy of your English language test results	$\times$
Question 21	Evidence of continuous employment as a registered health practitioner or in a relevant health, disability, or aged care related role where English was the primary language of practice and/or continuous enrolment in an approved program of study	$\times$
Question 24	Evidence of having passed an approved formal competency assessment	$\times$
Question 24	Evidence of your practice history including a signed and dated CV, details of any CPD or education completed, or professional contact maintained during your break, and a proposed plan for re-entry to professional practice	$\times$
Question 25	A separate sheet with your impairment details	$\mathbf{X}$
Question 26	A separate sheet with your current suspension or cancellation details	$\times$
Question 27	A separate sheet with your previous cancellation, refusal or suspension details	$\times$
Question 28	A separate sheet with your previous conditions, undertakings or limitation details	$\times$
Question 29	A separate sheet with your disqualification details	$\times$
Question 30	A separate sheet with your conduct, performance or health proceedings	$\times$
Question 31	A separate sheet with details of any refusal or withdrawal of your provider rebate status	$\times$
Question 32	A separate sheet with details of any complaint or notification made against you	$\times$
Question 33	A separate sheet with details of your refusal, suspension or cancellation from any health professional association	$\times$
Payment		
	Application fee	$\times$
	Registration fee	$\times$

Do not email this form.

Please submit this completed form and supporting evidence using the Online Upload Service at **www.ahpra.gov.au/registration/online-upload**. You may contact Ahpra on 1300 419 495

# **Information and definitions**

# CERTIFYING DOCUMENTS

### DO NOT send original documents.

Copies of documents provided in support of an application, or other purpose required by the National Law, must be certified as true copies of the original documents. Each and every certified document **must**:

- be in English. If original documents are not in English, you must provide a certified copy of the original document and translation in accordance with Ahpra guidelines, which are available at www.ahpra.gov.au/ registration/registration-process
- be initialled on every page by the authorised officer. For a list of people authorised to certify documents, visit www.ahpra.gov.au/certify.aspx
- be annotated on the last page as appropriate e.g. 'I have sighted the original document and certify this to be a true copy of the original' and signed by the authorised officer,
- for documents containing a photograph, the following certification statement must be included by the authorised officer, 'I certify that this is a true copy of the original and the photograph is a true likeness of the person presenting the document as sighted by me', along with their signature, and
- list the name, date of certification, and contact phone number, and position number (if relevant) and have the stamp or seal of the authorised officer (if relevant) applied.

Certified copies will only be accepted via the Online Upload Service at www.ahpra.gov.au/registration/online-upload. Photocopies of previously certified documents will not be accepted. For more information, Ahpra's guidelines for certifying documents can be found online at www.ahpra.gov.au/certify.aspx

# **CHANGE OF NAME**

You must provide evidence of a change of name if you have ever been formally known by another name(s) or if any of the documentation you are providing in support of your application is in another name(s).

Evidence must be a certified copy of one of the following documents:

- Standard marriage certificate
- Deed poll
- Change of name certificate.

Faxed, scanned or emailed copies of certified documents will not be accepted.

# **CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT (CPD)**

Registered practitioners must meet the requirements of the Board's CPD registration standard. For more information, view the full registration standard online at **www.chinesemedicineboard.gov.au/registration-standards**.

## **CRIMINAL HISTORY**

**Criminal history** includes the following, whether in Australia or overseas, at any time:

- every conviction of a person for an offence
- every plea of guilty or finding of guilt by a court of the person for an offence, whether or not a conviction is recorded for the offence, and
- every charge made against the person for an offence.

Under the National Law, spent convictions legislation does not apply to criminal history disclosure requirements. Therefore, you must disclose your complete criminal history as detailed above, irrespective of the time that has lapsed since the charge was laid or the finding of guilt was made. The Board will decide whether your criminal history is relevant to the practice of your profession. You are not required to obtain or provide your Australian criminal history report, Ahpra will obtain this check on your behalf. But if you have not given us certified proof of identity documents since October 2019, you will need to do this first.

Any document containing a photograph must be annotated with the statement 'I certify that this a true copy of the original and the photograph is a true likeness of the person presenting the document as sighted by me.'

You may be required to obtain international criminal history reports. For more information, view the full registration standard online at www.chinesemedicineboard.gov.au/registration-standards and the requirements for supplying proof of identity and certified documents at www.ahpra.gov.au/Registration/Registration-Process/Proof-of-Identity and www.ahpra.gov.au/Registration/Registration-Process/Certifying-Documents

# ENGLISH LANGUAGE SKILLS

The Board requires you to have effective communication with patients to safely and competently practise the profession. Therefore, you must be able to demonstrate English language skills in accordance with Board's requirements. For applicants required to complete an English language test, the Board requires an IELTS Academic module overall score of at least 7 with no individual score below 6.5 in each of the four components; an OET of A and B only in each of the components; or the TOEFL including the spoken component test with a minimum score of at least 237 (test of written English 4.5). Pass results **must** be obtained in one sitting.

For more information, view the full registration standard online at www.chinesemedicineboard.gov.au/registration-standards

## **IMPAIRMENT**

The National Law defines impairment as 'a physical or mental impairment, disability, condition or disorder (including substance abuse or dependence) that detrimentally affects or is likely to detrimentally affect your capacity to practise the profession'.

An illness or health condition that is safely managed is not the same as impairment, as these do not have a detrimental impact on your capacity to practise. Examples you do not need to tell us about include:

- wearing prescription glasses to correct your vision or hearing aids to correct your hearing, or
- seeing a psychologist for anxiety and following a treatment plan. The National Law requires you to declare any such impairments at the time of application, including details of the impairment and how it is managed.

# PRACTICE

Practice means any role, whether remunerated or not, in which the individual uses their skills and knowledge as a practitioner in their regulated health profession. Practice is not restricted to the provision of direct clinical care. It also includes using professional knowledge in a direct non-clinical relationship with patients or clients, working in management, administration, education, research, advisory, regulatory or policy development roles and any other roles that impact on safe, effective delivery of health services in the health profession.

## **PROFESSIONAL INDEMNITY INSURANCE (PII)**

You cannot practise as a Chinese Medicine practitioner in Australia unless you are covered by your own, or third-party professional indemnity insurance (PII) arrangements that meet the requirements of the Board's registration standard. You need to understand how you are covered.

Remember, practising means using your skills and knowledge as a health practitioner in any paid or unpaid role in your profession.

Chinese Medicine practitioners are exempt from requiring PII when:

- the scope of practice of an individual practitioner does not include the provision of healthcare or opinion in respect of the physical or mental health of any person
- a practitioner has statutory exemption from liability. That is, they are employed as a practitioner or are in another arrangement and are exempted from liability under state or Commonwealth legislation, or
- practitioners are registered in Australia but are practising exclusively overseas.

Initial registration and annual renewal of registration requires a declaration that you will be covered for all aspects of practice for the whole period of the registration. You may be covered by your Australian employer's PII—you will need to confirm this with your employer.

For more information, view the full registration standard online at www.chinesemedicineboard.gov.au/Registration-Standards

# **RECENCY OF PRACTICE**

To ensure you are able to practise competently and safely, you must have recent practice in your scope of practice in which you intend to work during the period of registration for which you are applying.

To meet the standard, you must have completed a minimum of:

- 450 hours of practice in the previous three years, or
- 150 hours of practice in the previous 12 months.

If you are returning to practice after an absence of more than three years, the specific requirements for registration will depend on the scope of practice, your level of experience and the length of absence from that scope, including any continuing professional development undertaken.

If you propose to extend your scope of practice you must complete any advanced training/preparation that your peers would reasonably expect to ensure you are competent. If you are making a substantial change to a different scope you must submit a plan for professional development to the Board for approval before commencing the extended scope of practice. For more information, view the full registration standard online at **www.chinesemedicineboard.gov.au/registration-standards** 

## **REGISTRATION APPROVAL DATES**

**On the date of the Board's approval –** this means your registration will start on the date all application requirements are received and you're assessed as eligible for registration.

**On the date below or the date of the Board's approval, whichever is the latter** – this means your registration will start on the date you nominated, providing it is after the date of the Board's approval. If not, then your registration will start on the date of the Board's approval.

## TRANSLATING DOCUMENTS

For documents translated in Australia, the translator must be accredited by the National Accreditation Authority for Translators and Interpreters (NAATI), see **www.naati.com.au**. For documents translated overseas, see **www.fit-ift.org** for a list of authorities who provide certified translations.

Translations prepared by people familiar with the language of origin, including relatives, friends, acquaintances or other volunteer agencies will not be accepted. For more information, please refer to *Translating documents* at **www.ahpra.gov.au/translate** 



# Applications **Proof of identity**

Before continuing, please refer to the Proof of identity requirements available at www.ahpra.gov.au/identity.

### 1. Do you have an Australian residential address?

- Yes You will be asked to complete your identity verification through Ahpra's third party vendor, InstalD+. For further information, please refer to the *Proof of identity requirements* available at www.ahpra.gov.au/identity
- No Go to the next question

### 2. Do you hold a current Australian or overseas passport?

### Yes - Select one option

- I have an Australian passport Go to question 3
  - ) I have an overseas passport *Go to question 4*



Yes -

) No -

You cannot proceed with this application. We must be able to verify your identity, we cannot verify your identity without a current passport.

### 3. Can you provide the following proof of identity documents:

- one 'commencement of identity' document (e.g. Australian passport, Australian birth certificate)
- one 'primary use in the community' document (e.g. Australian drivers licence, Overseas Passport)
- two 'secondary use in the community' documents (e.g. Medicare card, Australian institution Tertiary Student Photo ID, Foreign government issued document)

Thank you, no further questions. You will be asked to complete your identity verification through Ahpra's third party vendor, InstalD+. For further information, please refer to the *Proof of identity requirements* available at www.ahpra.gov.au/identity.

### ○ No – Go to the next question

### 4. For Ahpra to verify your identity, can you provide two (2) of the following documents:

- a current Australian visa
- foreign birth certificate
- foreign identity card
- a current foreign driver's licence foreign marriage certificate
- credit or debit card

Yes – You will be asked to complete your identity verification through Ahpra's third party vendor, InstalD+. For further information, please refer to the *Proof of identity requirements* available at www.ahpra.gov.au/identity

You cannot proceed with this application. We must be able to verify your identity, we cannot verify your identity.

# **Identity verification**

## You are required to verify your identity.

To complete your identity check, once your application is received by Ahpra, you will be sent a link with instructions. The link will take you to our third party vendor InstalD+ website.

- You will be asked to take a selfie photo of your face with your photo ID and take photos of your identity documents. This will include any change of name evidence if you have changed your name.
- You can do your identity check from your desktop (with a web camera) or mobile phone.
- Your documents are checked in real-time for authenticity and tampering. Facial recognition and liveness test are completed, and your identity details are checked against issuing authority databases for validity.
- If required, InstalD+ Customer Support may contact you directly if there is any follow up required about your identity check.

You must lodge your identity verification within 30 days to avoid your application being discontinued. If your application is discontinued, a refund of all fees will be provided.

If you have any questions, or require assistance with the identify verification, please contact InstalD+ on 1800 080 095.

Please refer to the Proof of identity requirements available at www.ahpra.gov.au/identity

An incomplete identity verification may delay processing and could result in your application for registration being withdrawn.