

## Communiqué

### 21st meeting of the Chinese Medicine Board of Australia, 28 May 2013

The May meeting of the Chinese Medicine Board of Australia (the National Board) was held on 28 May 2013 at the AHPRA National Office in Melbourne. This communiqué provides key decisions made at this meeting.

This communiqué, like all others, is published on the Board website and an announcement to a broad range of stakeholders also sent by email. Please forward it onto colleagues who may be interested in the work of the National Board.

#### Chinese Medicine Board of Australia Strategic Plan for 2013 - 2014

The Chinese Medicine Board of Australia Strategic Plan for 2013 - 2014 was approved at the May National Board meeting. It will be published on the National Board's website in the near future.

#### Committee Work Plans 2013 – 2014

The National Board approved the Policies, Standards, Codes and Guidelines Committee (Policy Committee) Work Plan. The focus for the next year will be to further develop resources for practitioners in the areas of: Chinese herbal prescribing and dispensing guidelines, Supervision of practice guidelines, and Record keeping and case records.

Workplans of the Board's Registration Committee, Notification Committee, Fiance Committee and Communication Committee have also been approved at the National Board meeting in May 2013.

#### Consultations

The preliminary consultation period for the *English Language Skills Registration Standard* and the *Criminal History Registration Standard* has ended. Any changes to the standard would only apply to the post-grandparenting phase (after 30 June 2015). This means that for Chinese medicine there will be no change to the current communication requirements and grandparenting arrangements as a result of this consultation.

An opportunity for public consultation will be available later in the year. These documents are mostly common across National Boards and consultation will be coordinated across all the Boards.

#### Practitioner Audit

Development of practitioner audits, to measure compliance with registration standards, is being finalised and may commence in 2013/14 and 2014/15.

#### Newsletter

The National Board has published a newsletter: <http://www.chinesemedicineboard.gov.au/News.aspx>.

#### Conclusion

The National Board publishes a range of information about registration and the National Board's expectations of practitioners on its website at [www.chinesemedicineboard.gov.au/](http://www.chinesemedicineboard.gov.au/)

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

Yours sincerely,

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Chinese Medicine Board of Australia, 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2013