

Communiqué

The 32nd meeting of the Chinese Medicine Board of Australia (the National Board) was held on 27 May 2014 at AHPRA's National Office in Melbourne. This communiqué provides key decisions made at the meeting.

This communiqué is published on the National Board website and an announcement to a broad range of stakeholders is also sent by email.

Please forward the communiqué to colleagues who may be interested in the work of the National Board.

Sydney forum invitation for practitioners and students of Chinese medicine - 23 June

The Chinese Medicine Board of Australia invites practitioners and students of Chinese medicine to attend an information forum being held at University of Technology, Sydney on Monday 23 June 2014.

Please make sure to RSVP as the venue can only accommodate 150 guests.

The National Registration and Accreditation Scheme for Chinese medicine practitioner registration has been in operation for almost two years. The Chinese Medicine Board of Australia (the National Board) is conducting a number of meetings/forums to engage more directly with the profession. This has been identified as a strategic priority for 2014/15.

The National Board would like to invite Chinese medicine practitioners and students, primarily those in New South Wales to this forum to discuss regulation and encourage the integration of registration standards, codes and guidelines into your daily practice and learning. Please register your attendance to this free event as places are limited to 150 (venue capacity at UTS).

Date: Monday 23 June 2014

Time: 5.30pm till 7.30pm (there will be a Board presentation and time for questions and discussion)

Venue: University of Technology Sydney, 15 Broadway, Ultimo NSW 2007

Access to venue:

Building 2, Level 4 (ground level) lecture room 29 (CB02.04.29). Building 2 is accessible through the Tower (Building 1) which has access from Broadway – see attached map.

Parking and transport options:

Train and Bus – Central Station is located within walking distance of the university – see attached map.

Parking – Make your own arrangement. There is no allocated parking around the university other than metered parking.

RSVP: No later than **5.00pm Friday 20 June** (first-in-first-served basis). Email cmbaupdate@ahpra.gov.au with your full name (surname in capitals) and confirmation that you would like to attend the forum.

The National Board would like to express its appreciation for the support of the University of Technology Sydney for providing this central location for this important event.

The National Board has also prepared A4 double-sided laminated summary of the recently introduced Infection prevention and control guidelines for acupuncture practice as your quick reference guide for this important policy. For those could not make it to this forum, a PDF/Word file will be made available on the Board's webpage.

Consultations update

Draft guidelines for safe Chinese herbal medicine practice

At the May 2014 Board meeting, a decision was made to undertake public consultation on its draft Guidelines for safe Chinese herbal medicine practice.

Submissions close: 23 July 2014

Draft supervision guidelines for Chinese medicine practitioners

The Board also decided to undertake public consultation on its draft Supervision Guidelines for Chinese medicine practitioners.

Submissions close: 31 July 2014

To obtain the documents see <http://www.chinesemedicineboard.gov.au/News/Consultations.aspx>

Newsletter

We will be releasing the latest edition of our newsletter in coming weeks. If you have an email registered with AHPRA then you will receive it directly. It is also published on the Board's website under the *News* tab.

If you wish to receive this, please check your contact details lodged with AHPRA through the [Your Account](#) tab on the top right of the AHPRA website.

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As part of listening and responding to community queries and discussion, you can now find AHPRA on Twitter at [@AHPRA](#).

AHPRA will regularly host twitter chats about important topics, and will use this forum to try and get more feedback to National Board consultations.

Updating contact details

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Important information for practitioners

The National Board publishes a range of information about registration, including its expectations of practitioners, at www.chinesemedicineboard.gov.au. For more details or help with questions about your registration please send an online enquiry form or contact AHPRA on 1300 419 495.

Yours sincerely,

Professor Charlie Xue

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