

## Communiqué: Chinese Medicine Board of Australia

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### March 2018 meeting

The 73<sup>rd</sup> meeting of the Chinese Medicine Board of Australia (the Board) was held on 20 March 2018 in Melbourne.

This communiqué provides details on the main decisions made at the meeting. It is also published on the Board's website and an announcement via email is sent to a broad range of stakeholders. Please forward the communiqué to colleagues who may be interested in the Board's work.

### Next Reference Group meeting

This is scheduled for Wednesday 29 August 2018. More information can be found on the Board's [Chinese Medicine Reference Group](#) page.

### Current consultation: public consultation on the draft revised registration standards for professional indemnity insurance arrangements, continuing professional development and recency of practice

The Chinese Medicine Board of Australia has published a consultation paper on the following draft revised registration standards.

- Professional indemnity insurance arrangements
- Continuing professional development including guidelines and a template portfolio
- Recency of practice

Public consultation has commenced and will close on **4 May 2018**.

The consultation paper is available on the Board's [Current consultations](#) page, and the Board invites feedback from practitioners, stakeholders and the community.

### Scheduled review of accreditation assignments

National Boards and AHPRA have started a process to consider accreditation arrangements from mid-2019, when the current term of assignment of accreditation functions ends.

The Health Practitioner Regulation National Law (the National Law) sets out the accreditation functions in the National Registration and Accreditation Scheme (the National Scheme); these include developing accreditation standards, accrediting programs of study against approved accreditation standards and assessing overseas qualified practitioners.

Public consultation on the existing accreditation arrangements is expected to start during April 2018 for around four weeks. More information will be published on the AHPRA and National Board websites in coming weeks.

Read the full [news item](#).

### Revised Terms of Reference for Registration and Notifications Committee and Policy, Planning and Communications Committee

In February 2018 the Board conducted its annual review of its committees and decided to continue with its Registration and Notifications Committee (RNC) and Policy, Planning and Communications Committee (PPCC).

The members of the RNC are:

1. David Brereton, Committee Chair and National Board community member
2. Liang Zhong Chen, National Board health practitioner member
3. Roderick Martin, Deputy Chair and National Board health practitioner member
4. Jacinta Ryan, Committee Health Practitioner member
5. Virginia Ryan, National Board community member

The members of the PPCC are:

1. David Graham, Committee Chair and National Board community member
2. Christine Berle, National Board health practitioner member
3. Di Wen Lai, Deputy Chair and National Board health practitioner member
4. Brian May, Committee health practitioner member

The Board has also revised the Terms of Reference for the RNC and PPCC which are published on the [Chinese Medicine Board Committees](#) page.

### Updating your contact details

To check or update the contact details you have lodged with AHPRA, access the online services panel for practitioners on the [home page](#) of the Board's website and click *Update your contact details*. Enter your user ID, date of birth and password (please note that your user ID is not your registration number). If you can't remember your user ID or password, [contact us online](#), or phone 1300 419 495 for help.

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### Important information for practitioners

The Board publishes a range of information about registration, including its expectations of practitioners, at [www.chinesemedicineboard.gov.au](http://www.chinesemedicineboard.gov.au).

For more details or help with questions about your registration, notifications or other matters relevant to the National Scheme, refer to information published on [www.ahpra.gov.au](http://www.ahpra.gov.au) or [contact AHPRA](#), send an [online enquiry form](#) or call on 1300 419 495.

### Professor Charlie C Xue

**Chair**

### Chinese Medicine Board of Australia

20 March 2018

*The Chinese Medicine Board of Australia is the regulator of Chinese medicine practitioners in Australia and acts to protect the public by ensuring that suitably qualified and competent Chinese medicine practitioners are registered. The Board is responsible for developing registration standards, codes and guidelines for Chinese medicine practitioners and managing notifications (complaints)\* about Chinese medicine practitioners and Chinese medicine students. The Board does this through its powers under the Health Practitioner Regulation National Law, as in force in each state and territory, and the National Registration and Accreditation Scheme, supported by the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA). The Board's work in regulating Australia's Chinese medicine practitioners in the public interest is underpinned by regulatory principles, which encourage a responsive, risk-based approach to regulation.*

*\*Except in NSW and Qld which have co-regulatory arrangements.*