



Application for general registration for medical practitioners currently holding provisional registration

Profession: **Medical**

Section 77 of the Health Practitioner Regulation National Law (the National Law)

This form is for registrants currently holding provisional registration who are applying for general registration as a medical practitioner in Australia.
If you do not hold current provisional registration and wish to apply for general registration, please complete the form *Application for general registration – AGEN-30*.



This application will not be considered unless it is complete and all supporting documentation has been provided. 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.

Symbols in this form



Additional information

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



Attention

Highlights important information about the form.



Attach document(s) to this form

Processing cannot occur until all required documents are received.



Signature required

Requests appropriate parties to sign the form where indicated.



Mail document(s) directly to AHPRA

Requires delivery of documents by an organisation or the applicant.

Completing this form

- Read and **complete all questions**.
- Ensure that **all pages** and required **attachments** are returned to AHPRA.
- Use a **black** or **blue** pen only.
- Print clearly in **BLOCK LETTERS**
- Place X in **all** applicable boxes:
- **DO NOT send original documents unless specified.**



Do not use staples or glue, or affix sticky notes to your application. Please ensure all supporting documents are on A4 size paper.

SECTION A: Personal details



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

1. What is your name and date of birth?

Title*

MR MRS MISS MS DR OTHER

Family name*

First given name*

Middle name(s)*

Previous names known by (e.g. maiden name)

Date of birth / /



If you have ever been formally known by another name, or you are providing documents in another name, you **must** attach proof of your name change unless this has been previously provided to the Board. For more information, see *Change of name* in the *Information and definitions* section of this form.



2. What is your AHPRA registration number?

AHPRA registration number

3. What are your birth and personal details?

Birth details are required to enable the Board to check your criminal history.

Country of birth

City/Suburb/Town of birth

State/Province of birth
 VIC NSW QLD SA WA NT TAS ACT
 Other (specify below)

Sex*
 MALE FEMALE INTERSEX / INDETERMINATE

SECTION B: Contact information

4. What are your contact details?

Provide your current contact details below – place an next to your preferred contact phone number.

Business hours
 Mobile

After hours

Email

5. What is your residential address?

If you are not currently practising, or 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 applicable)

Address (e.g. 123 JAMES AVENUE; or UNIT 1A, 30 JAMES STREET)

City/Suburb/Town*

State or territory (e.g. VIC, ACT)/**International province*** **Postcode/ZIP***

Country (if other than Australia)



6. Is the address of your principal place of practice the same as your residential address?

YES

NO Provide your Australian principal place of practice below

i Principal place of practice for a registered health practitioner is:

- the address at which you 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.

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

Address (e.g. 123 JAMES AVENUE; or UNIT 1A, 30 JAMES STREET)

City/Suburb/Town*

State/Territory* (e.g. VIC, ACT) **Postcode***

7. What is your mailing address?

- My residential address
- My principal place of practice
- Other (Provide your mailing address below)

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

Address/PO Box (e.g. 123 JAMES AVENUE; or UNIT 1A, 30 JAMES STREET; or PO BOX 1234)

City/Suburb/Town

State or territory (e.g. VIC, ACT)/International province **Postcode/ZIP**

Country (if other than Australia)



SECTION C: Accredited internship and other supervised practice details



All applicants **must** provide details of an accredited internship or a period of supervised practice.

8. Are you an Australian or New Zealand medical graduate?

YES

NO

I am an international medical graduate

Go to Section D: International medical graduates

Provide details of your internship or approved supervised practice in Australia below – then go to Section G: Suitability statements

Name of institution

Country

Start date

 /

Completion date

 /


Accredited internship

Your accredited internship provider will provide evidence of completion directly to AHPRA, when available. However, if you have already received it please attach this evidence to the application form.

Approved supervised practice

Australian and New Zealand medical school graduates who have completed an internship overseas must provide evidence of satisfactorily completing 12 months (47 weeks full-time equivalent) supervised practice approved by the Board.

You must attach to this application:

- work performance reports completed by your Board-approved supervisors, on the template approved by the Medical Board of Australia, and
- a letter of recommendation for general registration from the Director of Training, Director of Medical Services (or equivalent) or your Board approved principal supervisor.

The letter of recommendation must be on your employer's letterhead and include your details, commencement date, full-time equivalent weeks of supervised practice and basis for recommendation.



Attach a separate sheet if all your internship details do not fit within the spaces provided.

SECTION D: International medical graduates

9. What is your registration pathway?

Competent Authority Pathway

Standard Pathway

10. Have you applied to the AMC to have your qualifications verified?



For your application to be considered, you must have applied to have your qualifications verified through the Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates (ECFMG) Electronic Portfolio of International Credentials (EPIC). The Australian Medical Council (AMC) will provide the verification to the Board.

For more information about the process go to the AMC website www.amc.org.au

YES

Provide your AMC candidate number

AMC candidate number

NO



You **must** apply for primary source verification of your qualifications before applying for general registration.



11. What are the details of your period of supervised practice?

i IMGs in the standard pathway must provide evidence of a period of supervised practice in Australia as defined in the Board's registration standard on *Granting general registration to medical practitioners who hold an Australian Medical Council certificate*.

IMGs applying via the competent authority pathway must provide evidence of satisfactory completion of 12 months of supervised practice in Australia.

Where an applicant has previously held general registration, documentation will not need to be resubmitted.

Provide details of your supervised practice below

Name of institution (Hospital/Practice/Clinic/Facility)

State or territory

Start date

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Completion date

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AMC certificate holders (standard pathway) must provide:

- work performance reports, on the template approved by the Board, completed by your Board approved supervisor(s),
- a letter of recommendation for general registration from the Director of Training, Director of Medical Services or other person who is acceptable to the Board and is authorised to sign-off on the satisfactory completion of supervised practice, and
- any other evidence relevant to your supervised practice type defined in the Board's *Guidance – Evidence of supervised practice to support applications for general registration from Australian Medical Council certificate holders* (the guidance) accessible at www.medicalboard.gov.au/Codes-Guidelines-Policies/FAQ

The guidance provides advice about the information that must be included in reports and letters of recommendation.

AMC certificate holders who have completed supervised practice in general practice only

Applicants who completed their supervised practice in general practice only, and who submit their application for general registration to AHPRA up to and including **30 June 2018**, should refer to the Board's transitional arrangements accessible at www.medicalboard.gov.au/Registration/International-Medical-Graduates/Standard-Pathway, for information about the documentation required to support their application.



Competent authority pathway registrants **must** provide written confirmation from term supervisors that they have satisfactorily completed the 12 month period (47 weeks full-time equivalent) of supervised practice. This **must** be in the form of:

- work performance reports on the template approved by the Board, completed by your Board approved supervisor(s), and
- a letter of recommendation for general registration from the Director of Training, Director of Medical Services (or equivalent) or your Board approved principal supervisor.

The letter of recommendation must be on your employer's letterhead and include your details, commencement date, full-time equivalent weeks of supervised practice and basis for recommendation.



Attach a separate sheet if all your supervised practice details do not fit within the spaces provided.

12. Since you were granted registration in Australia, have you practiced as a health practitioner outside of Australia?

YES [Go to question 14](#)

NO [Go to the next question](#)

13. Since you were granted registration in Australia, has your registration status or good standing in a country other than Australia changed?

YES [Go to the next question](#)

NO [Go to Section G: Suitability statements](#)



SECTION E: Registration history

14. What is your health practitioner registration history?

i 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 ten years**.

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

Most recent registration

State/Territory/Country

Profession

Period of registration

 / / to / /

Additional registration

State/Territory/Country

Profession

Period of registration

 / / to / /


If you have been registered outside of Australia, you **must** arrange for original Certificates of Registration Status (different to evidence of current registration/practising certificate) or Certificates of Good Standing to be forwarded directly from the registration authority to your AHPRA state or territory office. Refer to www.ahpra.gov.au/About-AHPRA/Contact-Us for your AHPRA state or territory office address.



Attach a separate sheet if all your registration history does not fit within the space provided.

SECTION F: Work history

15. What is your full practice history?



It is important that you refer to *Curriculum vitae* in the *Information and definitions* section of this form for **mandatory requirements** of the CV. Your curriculum vitae will further inform the Board in relation to your recency of practice and registration history.



You **must** attach to your application a **signed and dated** curriculum vitae that describes your full practice history and any clinical or skills training undertaken.

SECTION G: 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 a timely 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.medicalboard.gov.au/Registration-Standards for further information.

Preceding period of registration refers to the period of time between the first and last day of your **current** registration.

16. Since your last declaration to AHPRA, has there been any change to your criminal history in Australia that you have not declared to AHPRA?



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 on page two of this form.

YES

NO



You **must** attach a signed and dated written statement with details of any change to your criminal history in Australia and an explanation of the circumstances.



17. Since your last declaration to AHPRA, has there been any change to your criminal history in one or more countries other than Australia that you have not declared to AHPRA?

NO **Go to the next question**

YES **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 the change in your criminal history in a signed and dated written statement.

i 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.

Country	Check reference number

You **must** attach a separate sheet if the list of overseas countries and corresponding check reference number does not fit in the space provided.

You **must** attach the international criminal history check (ICHC) reference page provided by the approved vendor.

You **must** attach a signed and dated written statement with details of any change to your criminal history in each of the countries listed and an explanation of the circumstances.

18. Do you commit to having appropriate professional indemnity insurance arrangements in place for all practice undertaken during the registration period?

i For more information, see *Professional indemnity insurance* in the *Information and definitions* section of this form.

YES

NO

Provide details of your circumstances below

19. Do you meet the recency of practice registration standard?

i To meet the standard, medical practitioners must have practised within their scope of practice for a minimum total of:

- four weeks full-time equivalent in one registration period, which is a total of 152 hours, or
- 12 weeks full-time equivalent over three consecutive registration periods, which is a total of 456 hours.

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

YES

Mark all options applicable to your application

I have practiced a minimum of four weeks full-time equivalent (152 hours) in the last year.

I have practiced a minimum of 12 weeks full-time equivalent (456 hours) over the last three years.

NO

Provide details of why the recency of practice requirements have not been met

You **must** attach a separate sheet if the details of why the recency of practice requirements have not been met do not fit in the space provided.

20. Do you have an impairment that detrimentally affects, or is likely to detrimentally affect, your capacity to practise the profession?

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

YES

NO

You **must** attach to this application details of any impairments and how they are managed.



21. Is your registration in any profession currently suspended or cancelled in Australia (under the National Law or a corresponding prior Act) or overseas?

YES

NO



You **must** attach to this application details of any registration suspension or cancellation.

22. Have you previously had your registration cancelled, refused or suspended in Australia (under the National Law or a corresponding prior Act) or overseas?

YES

NO



You **must** attach to this application details of any cancellation, refusal or suspension.

23. Has your registration ever been subject to conditions, undertakings or limitations in Australia (under the National Law or a corresponding prior Act) or overseas?

YES

NO



You **must** attach to this application details of any conditions, undertakings or limitations.

24. Are you disqualified from applying for registration, or being registered, in any profession in Australia (under the National Law, a corresponding prior Act or a law of a co-regulatory jurisdiction), or overseas?



Co-regulatory jurisdiction means a participating jurisdiction (of the National Law) in which the Act applying (the National Law) declares that the jurisdiction is not participating in the health, performance and conduct process provided by Divisions 3 to 12 of Part 8 (of the National Law).

YES

NO



You **must** attach to this application details of any disqualifications.

25. Have you been, or are you currently, the subject of conduct, performance or health proceedings whilst registered under the National Law, a corresponding prior Act, or the law of another jurisdiction in Australia or overseas, where those proceedings were not finalised?

YES

NO



You **must** attach to this application details of any conduct, performance or health proceedings.



SECTION H: Obligations and consent



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

2. 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
 - g) 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

6. 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

7. 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

I consent to the Board and AHPRA making enquiries of, and exchanging information with, the authorities of any Australian state or territory, or other country, regarding my practice as a health practitioner or otherwise regarding matters relevant to this application.

I authorise the Board to obtain my criminal history in Australia and overseas.

I understand that:

- 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 the Board, and
- information will be extracted from this form and used for the purpose of criminal history checking. This information may be used by Australian police services for law enforcement purposes including the investigation of any outstanding criminal offences.

I acknowledge that:

- the Board may validate documents provided in support of this application as evidence of my identity, and
- failure to complete all relevant sections of this application and to enclose all supporting documentation may result in this application not being accepted.

I undertake to comply with all relevant legislation and 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.

I understand AHPRA may:

- disclose the date my registration is to commence and future registration details; and
- verify the accuracy of my registration details including my date of birth and address to entities (such as prospective employers) who disclose that information to AHPRA for the purpose of confirming my identity.

AHPRA will only do this where the entity seeking the information or verification has given a legal undertaking they have obtained my consent to these disclosures and this verification.

I confirm that I have read the privacy and confidentiality statement for this form.

I declare that:

- the above statements, and the documents provided in support of this application, are true and correct, and
- I am the person named in the attached documents.

I make this declaration in the knowledge that a false statement is grounds for the Board to refuse registration.

Signature of applicant



SIGN HERE

Name of applicant

Date

 / /



SECTION I: Payment



You are required to pay a registration fee.

Your required payment is detailed below

Use the table below to select your registration fee. 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.

Registration fee:	=	Amount payable:
\$ INSERT FEE		\$ INSERT FEE
Registration fee \$764		Applicants must pay 100% of the stated fees at the time of submitting the application.
Registration fee for NSW registrants \$663		



Registration period

The annual registration period for the medical profession is from **1 October to 30 September**.
If your application is made between **1 August and 30 September this year**, you will be registered until 30 September **next year**.

Refund rules

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

26. How are you paying your fee?



Payment by cheque, money order or bank draft must be in Australian currency, drawn on an Australian bank.
A receipt will be provided.

Mark one box below only

- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Visa or MasterCard
Complete credit/debit card payment slip below | <input type="checkbox"/> Cash/EFTPOS
(only available if paying in person) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cheque/Money order/Bank draft | |



You must attach your cheque, money order or bank draft payable to the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency.



- On the back of the cheque, money order or bank draft, you **must** write:
- your full name
 - your date of birth, and
 - your AHPRA registration number (if you have one).

Credit/Debit card payment slip – please fill out

Amount payable

Visa or MasterCard number

Expiry date

 /

Name on card

Cardholder's signature

SIGN HERE



SECTION J: Checklist

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

<i>Additional documentation</i>		Attached
Question 1	Evidence of a change of name	<input type="checkbox"/>
Question 8	Evidence of satisfactory completion of your accredited internship or supervised practice in Australia	<input type="checkbox"/>
Question 8	A separate sheet with any additional internship details	<input type="checkbox"/>
Question 11	Evidence of satisfactory completion of a period of supervised practice	<input type="checkbox"/>
Question 11	A separate sheet with any additional period of supervised practice details	<input type="checkbox"/>
Question 14	Certificate of Registration Status or Certificate of Good Standing has been requested from relevant authority	<input type="checkbox"/>
Question 14	A separate sheet with registration details	<input type="checkbox"/>
Question 15	Your curriculum vitae	<input type="checkbox"/>
Question 16	A signed and dated written statement with details of any change to your criminal history in Australia and an explanation of the circumstances	<input type="checkbox"/>
Question 17	A separate sheet of overseas countries and corresponding ICHC reference number	<input type="checkbox"/>
Question 17	ICHC reference page provided by the approved vendor	<input type="checkbox"/>
Question 17	A signed and dated written statement with details of any change to your criminal history overseas and an explanation of the circumstances	<input type="checkbox"/>
Question 19	Details of why the recency of practice requirements have not been met	<input type="checkbox"/>
Question 20	A separate sheet with your impairment details	<input type="checkbox"/>
Question 21	A separate sheet with your suspension or cancellation details	<input type="checkbox"/>
Question 22	A separate sheet with your cancellation, refusal or suspension details	<input type="checkbox"/>
Question 23	A separate sheet with your conditions, undertakings or limitations details	<input type="checkbox"/>
Question 24	A separate sheet with your disqualification details	<input type="checkbox"/>
Question 25	A separate sheet with your conduct, performance or health proceedings	<input type="checkbox"/>
Payment		
	Registration fee	<input type="checkbox"/>
	If paying by cheque/money order/bank draft, your name and registration number are written on the back	<input type="checkbox"/>

Please post this form with payment and required attachments to:

AHPRA
GPO Box 9958
IN YOUR CAPITAL CITY (*refer below*)

You may contact AHPRA on
 1300 419 495 or you can lodge an enquiry
 at www.ahpra.gov.au

Sydney NSW 2001 Canberra ACT 2601 Melbourne VIC 3001 Brisbane QLD 4001
 Adelaide SA 5001 Perth WA 6001 Hobart TAS 7001 Darwin NT 0801



Information and definitions

CERTIFYING DOCUMENTS

DO NOT send original documents unless specified.

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
- 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, 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 in hard copy by mail or in person (not by fax, email, etc). 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

CHANGE OF NAME

You must provide evidence of a change of name if you have ever been formally known by another name(s) or 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 (ceremonial certificates will not be accepted).
- Deed poll.
- Change of name certificate.

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

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
- 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 a health practitioner's criminal history is relevant to the practice of the profession.

You are not required to obtain or provide your Australian criminal history report, AHPRA will obtain this check on your behalf. You may be required to obtain international criminal history reports.

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

IMPAIRMENT

Impairment means 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**. The National Law requires you to declare any such impairments at the time of renewal, including details of the impairment and how it is managed.

PRACTICE

Practice means any role, whether remunerated or not, in which you use your skills and knowledge as a health practitioner in your 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 clients, working in management, administration, education, research, advisory, regulatory or policy development roles and any other roles that impact on safe, effective delivery of services in the profession.

PROFESSIONAL INDEMNITY INSURANCE (PII)

You must have PII, or some alternative form of indemnity cover that complies with the Board's standard, for all aspects of your medical practice. 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. Medical practitioners are exempt from requiring PII, where the scope of medical practice of an individual medical practitioner does not include the provision of health care or medical opinion in respect of the physical or mental health of any person or where a medical practitioner has statutory exemption from liability or where a medical practitioner is practising exclusively overseas.

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

REGENCY OF PRACTICE

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

To meet the standard, you must have practised within your scope of practice for a minimum total of:

- four weeks full-time equivalent in one year, which is a total of 152 hours, or
- 12 weeks full-time equivalent over three consecutive years, which is a total of 456 hours.

If you have been absent from practice, the specific requirements depend on the field of practice, your level of experience and the length of absence from the field.

If you propose to change your field of practice, the Board will consider whether your peers would view the change as a normal extension or variation in a field of practice, or a change that would require specific training and demonstration of competence.

Practitioners who are unable to meet the Board's registration standard for recency of practice may be required to complete professional development activities, submit a plan for re-entry to practice or other training or assessments.

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