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Thankyou for the opportunity to put a point of view. After practicing for more than forty years, one is loathe to give up registration as a Doctor, however in retirement I would like to continue to write prescriptions and the occasional referral. I have no desire to assist, I was a Practising General Surgeon, nor to consult, however the abilities requested as above, at the moment, means I must continue to pay full Specialist Registration and a limited legal cover, and, of course, acquire points for ongoing education.

This, compared with the previous situation, seems a bit severe and I request your considered opinion please.

Yours sincerely,

Sent from my iPad,
Regards,

On 22 May 2014, at 3:51 pm, "AHPRA" <

> wrote:

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Update Medical Board of Australia



Chair's message



Australia's health ministers have announced the terms of reference for the review of the National Registration and Accreditation Scheme. In March 2008, when Commonwealth and state and territory governments all signed the agreement which underpins the scheme, they agreed that it should be reviewed after three years of operation. The review will be conducted independently of AHPRA and the National Boards. It will examine whether the scheme is meeting the objectives set out in the National Law and will consider benefits and costs.



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Consultation



Give us your feedback on core registration standards

The Medical Board is consulting on revised draft registration standards that set requirements for:

- professional indemnity insurance arrangements for registered medical practitioners
- continuing professional development for registered medical practitioners, and
- recency of practice – the nature, extent, period and recency of any previous practice of the profession

by applicants for registration.



Give us your feedback on registration standards for limited registration

The Medical Board is consulting on revised draft registration standards for:

- limited registration for postgraduate training or supervised practice
- limited registration for area of need
- limited registration for teaching or research, and
- limited registration in public interest.



Give us your feedback on guidelines for short-term training in a medical specialty

Internationally qualified specialists or specialists-in-training who are not qualified for general or specialist registration can receive training in a specialty in Australia. This pathway to registration was set up as part of the 2006 Council of Australian Government initiative to establish a national assessment process for overseas-qualified doctors.



Royal Australian College of General Practitioners

After receiving accreditation advice from the Australian Medical Council, the Board has approved a number of programs leading to the FRACGP as providing a qualification for the purposes of specialist registration in the specialty of general practice.



University of New South Wales

After receiving accreditation advice from the Australian Medical Council, the Board has approved accredited programs of study of the UNSW as providing a qualification for registration.



Ministers announce the review of the National Registration and Accreditation Scheme

Australia's health ministers have announced the terms of reference for the scheduled three-year review of the National Registration and Accreditation Scheme (the National Scheme).



Advertising guidelines updated

The Medical Board and other National Boards have acted on the feedback they received about the *Guidelines for advertising regulated health services (Advertising guidelines)* released in March, and published updated versions on their websites.



From the SA Coroner

On 14 February 2014, the South Australian Deputy State Coroner (DSC) delivered her findings into the deaths of