



Communiqué

May 2018 meeting of the Chiropractic Board of Australia

The Chiropractic Board of Australia (the Board) is established under the Health Practitioner Regulation National Law, as in force in each state and territory (the National Law).

The Board meets each month to consider and decide on any matters related to its regulatory function within the National Registration and Accreditation Scheme (the National Scheme).

This communiqué aims to inform stakeholders of the work of the Board. Please forward it on to colleagues and employees who may be interested in its content.

The May 2018 meeting was held via teleconference.

Practitioner audit will start soon

As a registered chiropractor you may be selected at random for audit. Audits are an important part of the way the Chiropractic Board of Australia and the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA) can better protect the public. They help to ensure that practitioners are meeting the mandatory registration standards and provide important assurance to the community.

If you are selected for audit, you will receive an audit notice in the mail from AHPRA. It includes a checklist that outlines what supporting documents are required to demonstrate that you meet the standard(s) being audited.

If selected, please access the Board's website. It provides comprehensive information about the [audit process](#), including guidance on the audit notice and what it means for you, as well as contact details for the audit team and AHPRA's Customer Service Team who can help with your queries.

Testimonials in health advertising – a tool to help get it right now available

Advertising about a regulated health service is in breach of the National Law if it includes a testimonial (review, experience, comment and/or statement) that mentions a **clinical aspect**.

A new tool to help practitioners and advertisers understand their obligations about using testimonials and reviews to advertise regulated health services is now available.

The testimonial tool is the latest in a series of [resources and support materials](#) developed by AHPRA and National Boards to help health practitioners, healthcare providers and other advertisers of regulated health services check and correct their advertising so it complies with the National Law.

The tool includes information and flow charts to help practitioners and advertisers understand why

testimonials are not allowed and which reviews or feedback can be used in advertising.

The testimonial tool is now available in the *Advertising resources* section of the AHPRA [website](#).

Chiropractic Board of Australia Forum in Melbourne

Practitioners and stakeholders are reminded that the Chiropractic Board of Australia will be hosting a forum in Melbourne on Saturday and Sunday, 28-29 July 2018.

The forum will explore existing research on workplace-based learning and related concepts with a focus on application of this work in the context of solo and small health-professional practice.

Saturday's program will focus largely on the individual. It will include exploration of theories of workplace-based learning in the health professions while also delving into notions of expectations and beliefs about health professionals, and practicalities of evidence-based practice.

Sunday's program has more of a peer and community focus, and will probe theories such as communities of practice before exploring models of peer feedback in the workplace.

Places are limited, so please RSVP to chiropracticRSVP@ahpra.gov.au as soon as possible to confirm your attendance. The Board will also record the forum for those unable to attend in person.

Are your contact details up to date?

It is important that your contact details are up to date to receive information from the Board. You can check your details via the [Login icon](#) at the top right of the AHPRA website. Your email account needs to be set to receive communications from AHPRA and the Board to avoid misdirection to your account junk box.

Conclusion

The National Board publishes a range of information about registration and the National Board's expectations of practitioners on its website at www.chiropracticboard.gov.au or www.ahpra.gov.au.

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

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