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Medical Radiation Practice
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National Boards fees set for 2016/17

National Boards have announced practitioner registration fees for 2016/17, including 4 Boards that have reduced fees, 4 which have frozen fees and 4 which have limited fee increases to no more than indexation.

The Occupational Therapy, Optometry, Osteopathy, and Physiotherapy Boards have announced reduced fees.

The Chinese Medicine, Medical, Medical Radiation Practice, and Podiatry Boards have announced frozen fees.

The Chiropractic, Dental, Pharmacy, and Psychology Boards have announced fee increases limited to indexation.

The Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia (the Board) will announce a final determination on fees for the 2016-17 renewal period in late 2016. Fees previously agreed by the Board for the 2015/16 renewal period, including a general registration fee of \$150, represents the minimum fees payable.

The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island Practice Board of Australia (the Board) has announced an increase in its fees by \$20. This reflects the resources necessary to allow the Board to meet its obligations in regulating Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health practitioners under the National Registration and Accreditation Scheme (National Scheme).

The National Scheme is funded by practitioners' registration fees.

AHPRA CEO, Martin Fletcher, said the fees set for all the National Boards reflect the commitment by the National Boards and AHPRA to prudent financial management.

'The National Boards and AHPRA have set fees so that we can meet our regulatory responsibilities under the National Scheme, while also aiming to be effective and efficient regulators of registered health practitioners, and protect the public,' Mr Fletcher said.

The Health Profession Agreements between AHPRA and each Board will again be published on our website. These agreements set out the partnership between the National Boards and AHPRA, and the services AHPRA will provide in supporting the Boards to carry out their functions. More detailed information about each Board's budget is also published in the National Scheme annual report which will be released in November 2016.

In most cases, the annual fees will apply from 1 September 2016. At this time, the fees schedule for each profession will be published on the National Board websites, including the fee arrangements for practitioners whose principal place of practice is NSW. Any variation to the fees payable by NSW practitioners will be announced by the Health Professional Councils Authority in NSW and detailed in the published fee schedule.

The fees set by each National Board vary to reflect the actual cost of regulating each profession under the National Law, as follows.

- **The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island Health Practice Board of Australia** has increased its registration fee for 2016-2016 by \$20. The annual renewal fee will cover the registration period for most practitioners of 1 December 2016 to 30 November 2017.
- **The Chinese Medicine Board of Australia** has frozen its registration fee for 2015-2016 at \$579. The annual renewal fee will cover the registration period for most practitioners of 1 December 2016 to 30 November 2017.
- **The Chiropractic Board of Australia** has set its registration fee for 2015-2016 at \$566, limiting the increase to indexation. The annual renewal fee will apply from 1 September 2016 and cover the registration period for most practitioners of 1 December 2016 to 30 November 2017.
- **The Dental Board of Australia** has set its registration fee for 2016-2017 at \$628 for dentists and specialists, \$558 for dental prosthetists and \$310 for dental hygienists and therapists. This limits the increase to indexation. The annual renewal fee will apply from 1 September 2016 and cover the registration period for most practitioners of 1 December 2016 to 30 November 2017.
- **The Medical Board of Australia** has frozen its registration fee for 2016-2017 at \$724. The annual renewal fee is effective 29 July 2016 and covers the registration period for most practitioners of 1 October 2016 to 30 September 2017.
- **The Medical Radiation Practice Board of Australia** has frozen its registration fee for 2016-2017 at \$180. The annual renewal fee will cover the registration period for most practitioners of 1 December 2016 to 30 November 2017.
- **The Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia** will make a final determination on fees for the 2016-17 renewal period in late 2016. Fees previously agreed by the Board for the 2015/16 renewal period, including a general registration fee of \$150, represents the minimum fees payable.
- **The Occupational Therapy Board of Australia** has reduced its registration fee for 2016-2017 to \$110. The annual renewal fee will apply from 1 September 2016 and cover the registration period for most practitioners of 1 December 2016 to 30 November 2017.
- **The Optometry Board of Australia** has reduced its registration fee for 2016-2017 to \$300. The annual renewal fee will apply from 1 September 2016 and cover the registration period for most practitioners of 1 December 2016 to 30 November 2017.
- **The Osteopathy Board of Australia** has reduced its registration fee for 2016-2017 to \$376. The annual renewal fee will apply from 1 September 2016 and cover the registration period for most practitioners of 1 December 2016 to 30 November 2017.
- **The Pharmacy Board of Australia** has set its annual renewal of general registration fee for 2016-2017 at \$328, limiting the increase to indexation. The annual renewal fee will apply from 1 September 2016 and cover the registration period for most practitioners of 1 December 2016 to 30 November 2017.
- **The Physiotherapy Board of Australia** has reduced its registration fee for 2016-2017 to \$110. The annual renewal fee will apply from 1 September 2016 and cover the registration period for most practitioners of 1 December 2016 to 30 November 2017.
- **The Podiatry Board of Australia** has frozen its registration fee for 2016-2017 at \$378. The annual renewal fee will apply from 1 September 2016 and cover the registration period for most practitioners of 1 December 2016 to 30 November 2017.
- **The Psychology Board of Australia** has set its registration fee for 2016-2017 at \$449, limiting the increase to indexation. Details on when the fee will apply from and the registration period it will cover are currently being finalised and will be announced when available.

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