

COAG Health Council

meeting as the Australian Health Workforce Ministerial Council

Communiqué

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Health Ministers announce National Board member appointments

The Australian Health Workforce Ministerial Council (the Ministerial Council) is very pleased to announce the following National Board appointments:

Chinese Medicine Board of Australia (CMBA)

• **Dr David Graham** – appointed as new community member on the CMBA from 30 March 2016 to 1 July 2017.

Podiatry Board of Australia (PodBA)

• **Miss Julia Kurowski** – appointed as new practitioner member from Western Australia on the PodBA from 30 March 2016 to 31 August 2018.

Psychology Board of Australia (PsyBA)

• **Ms Rebecca Campbell** – appointed as new practitioner member from the Northern Territory on the PsyBA from 30 March 2016 to 31 August 2018.

Health Ministers extended a warm welcome to Dr Graham, Miss Kurowski, and Ms Campbell for their first terms on the National Boards, and thanked them for expressing their interest in, and commitment to, the principles of the national scheme and the regulation of health practitioners in the public interest.

Health Ministers thanked those members of the public and the registered health practitioners who took the time to apply for these vacancies, which were publicly advertised as part of a triennial recruitment of members to fill 102 vacancies across 12 National Boards. Ministers announced the appointments to fill 99 of these vacancies on 6 July 2015, and that the successful candidates for the remaining three vacancies would be announced at a later date.

The Ministerial Council's appointments are made under the Health Practitioner Regulation National Law, as in force in each state and territory and are consistent with the Australian Health Ministers' Advisory Council (AHMAC)-endorsed *National Board Member Succession Planning Principles*.

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