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# Application for limited registration for teaching or research

## Profession: Occupational therapy

Part 7 Division 6 of the Health Practitioner Regulation National Law (the National Law)

This form is for qualified occupational therapists who are not eligible for general registration and who are seeking limited registration as an occupational therapist to fill a teaching or research position.

The Board expects that applicants seeking limited registration for teaching or research will have a sponsor/employer that supports the application.

Applicants should also note that where registration is granted under this category of registration, it will only be granted for a specific purpose and for a limited time.

This application comprises:

- **Part A:** to be completed by the applicant
- **Part B:** to be completed by the employer
- **Part C:** to be completed by the applicant's nominated supervisor
- **Part D:** to be completed by the applicant.

It is important that you refer to the Occupational Therapy Board of Australia's (the Board) registration standards, codes and guidelines when completing the form. Registration standards, codes and guidelines can be found at [www.occupationaltherapyboard.gov.au](http://www.occupationaltherapyboard.gov.au)

 **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](http://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](http://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.



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



## PART A – To be completed by the applicant

### 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  SPECIFY

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 are your birth and personal details?

### Country of birth

### City/Suburb/Town of birth

### State/Territory of birth (if within Australia)

VIC  NSW  QLD  SA  WA  NT  TAS  ACT

### Sex\*

MALE  FEMALE  INTERSEX / INDETERMINATE

### Languages spoken fluently other than English (optional)\*

## SECTION B: Proof of identity



You must provide proof of your identity with this application. Please refer to the *Proof of identity requirements* available at [www.ahpra.gov.au/identity](http://www.ahpra.gov.au/identity).

### 3. Are you applying for registration from within Australia?

You must only use each document once.

The documents provided **must** meet the following criteria:

- At least **one** document must be in your current name.
- Your category B document **must** have a recent photo.
- All documents **must** be officially translated into English. Please refer to *Translating documents* at [www.ahpra.gov.au/translating](http://www.ahpra.gov.au/translating) for further information.
- If using your passport, a certified copy of the identity information page (the photo page) **must** be provided.
- For documents containing a photograph, the following certification statement must be included by the authorised officer, 'I certify that this is a true copy of the original and the photograph is a true likeness of the person presenting the document as sighted by me.'
- All documents **must** be true certified copies of the original. See *Certifying documents* in the *Information and definitions* section of this form for more information.

YES

NO  [Go to the next question](#)

### Choose proof of identity documents to submit – *then go to Section C: Contact information*

- You must provide one document from each category A, B and C, and one document from category D if the document supplied for category B or C does not contain evidence of a current Australian residential address.
- A document may only be used once for any category.

Documents	Category used: A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/>	Documents	Category used: A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/>
Australian birth or adoption certificate	<input type="checkbox"/> NA <input type="checkbox"/>	Australian financial institution account	<input type="checkbox"/> NA <input type="checkbox"/>
Australian visa (Foreign passport must be selected as evidence for Category B)	<input type="checkbox"/> NA <input type="checkbox"/>	Australian Medicare card	<input type="checkbox"/> NA <input type="checkbox"/>
ImmiCard	<input type="checkbox"/> NA <input type="checkbox"/>	Australian PAYG payment summary	<input type="checkbox"/> NA <input type="checkbox"/>
Australian citizenship certificate	<input type="checkbox"/> NA <input type="checkbox"/>	Australian motor vehicle registration	<input type="checkbox"/> NA <input type="checkbox"/>
Australian passport	<input type="checkbox"/> NA <input type="checkbox"/>	Australian Taxation Assessment Notice	<input type="checkbox"/> NA <input type="checkbox"/>
Australian driver's licence	<input type="checkbox"/> NA <input type="checkbox"/>	Australian insurance policy	<input type="checkbox"/> NA <input type="checkbox"/>
Foreign driver's licence	<input type="checkbox"/> NA <input type="checkbox"/>	Australian pension/healthcare card	<input type="checkbox"/> NA <input type="checkbox"/>
Australian Working with Children Check or Vulnerable People Check	<input type="checkbox"/> NA <input type="checkbox"/>	A document from Category D is only required if your Category B or C document does not provide evidence of your residential address.	
Australian firearms or shooter's licence	<input type="checkbox"/> NA <input type="checkbox"/>	I have used a Category B or C document that has my current residential address	
Australian student ID card	<input type="checkbox"/> NA <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
International or foreign driver's licence	<input type="checkbox"/> NA <input type="checkbox"/>	Australian rate notice	
Australian proof of age card	<input type="checkbox"/> NA <input type="checkbox"/>	Current Australian lease or tenancy agreement	
Australian government benefits	<input type="checkbox"/> NA <input type="checkbox"/>	Australian utility account	
Australian academic transcript	<input type="checkbox"/> NA <input type="checkbox"/>		
Australian registration certificate	<input type="checkbox"/> NA <input type="checkbox"/>		



You **must** attach a certified copy of **all** proof of identity documents that you have indicated above.



Once registered and living in Australia, you need to become identity enrolled. Please download and complete the form *POIA-00 – Proof of identity requirements form: Within Australia* to become identity enrolled.

4. Are you applying for registration from outside Australia?

YES  *Go to the next question*

NO  *Go back to question 3 to nominate the proof of identity you will provide with your application*

5. Can you meet the proof of identity requirements for applicants applying for registration within Australia?

You must only use each document once.

The documents provided **must** meet the following criteria:

- At least **one** document must be in your current name.
- Your category B document must have a recent photo.
- All documents **must** be officially translated into English. Refer to *Translating documents* at [www.ahpra.gov.au/translate](http://www.ahpra.gov.au/translate) for further information.

NO

YES  *Go back to question 3 to nominate the proof of identity you will provide with your application*

Choose proof of identity documents to submit – *then go to Section C: Contact information*

- You must provide one category B document and two category C documents.
- A document may only be used once for any category.

Documents	Category used: B      C	Documents	Category used: B      C
Passport or travel document (Certificate of Identity, Document of Identity, ImmiCard, Laissez Passer and Titre de Voyage)	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	Birth certificate	NA <input type="checkbox"/>
Australian visa (must be provided in conjunction with a travel document or passport)		Driver's licence	NA <input type="checkbox"/>
Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Australia (IRCC) document		Identity card	NA <input type="checkbox"/>
Temporary protection visa (TPV) document		Other (specify)	NA <input type="checkbox"/>

## Please complete the new

# Proof of identity section

You **must** attach a certified copy of **all** proof of identity documents that you have at the end of this form



### Certifying documents

- If using your passport, a certified copy of the identity information page (the photo page) **must** be provided.
- For documents containing a photograph, the following certification statement must be included by the authorised officer, 'I certify that this is a true copy of the original and the photograph is a true likeness of the person presenting the document as sighted by me.'
- All documents **must** be true certified copies of the original. See *Certifying documents* in the *Information and definitions* section of this form for more information.

6. What is your residency status within Australia?

### Current residency status

Permanent Australian resident

Temporary resident (Supply details of visa status below)

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## SECTION C: Contact information



Once registered, you can change your contact information at any time.  
Please go to [www.ahpra.gov.au/login](http://www.ahpra.gov.au/login) to change your contact details using your online account.

### 7. What are your contact details?

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

#### Business hours

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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#### Mobile

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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#### After hours

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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#### Email

<input type="text"/>
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### 8. What is your residential address?

When you are not yet practising, or when you 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)

<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>

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

<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>

#### City/Suburb/Town\*

<input type="text"/>
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#### State or territory (e.g. VIC, ACT)/International province\*

<input type="text"/>
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#### Postcode/ZIP\*

<input type="text"/>
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#### Country (if other than Australia)

<input type="text"/>
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### 9. Will the address of your principal place of practice be the same as your residential address?

Principal place of practice for a registered health practitioner is:

- the address at which you will 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.

YES

NO

Provide your Australian principal place of practice below

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

<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>

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

<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>

#### City/Suburb/Town\*

<input type="text"/>
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#### State/Territory\* (e.g. VIC, ACT)

<input type="text"/>
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#### Postcode\*

<input type="text"/>
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**10. What is your mailing address?**

 Your mailing address is used for postal correspondence

- 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 D: Qualification for the profession**

 In accordance with section 69 of the National Law, to be eligible for limited registration for teaching or research you must satisfy the Board that you have qualifications in the profession relevant to, and suitable for, the position.

**11. What are the details of your qualification(s)?**

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

**Most recent qualification**
**Title of qualification**

**Name of institution (University/College/Examining body)**

**Country**

**Start date**

/

**Completion date**

/



You **must** attach a certified copy of your original academic transcript and a certificate that indicates completion of the qualification mentioned in this form.




**Additional qualification**
**Title of qualification**

**Name of institution (University/College/Examining Body)**

**Country**

**Start date**
 /   
**Completion date**
 /   


You **must** attach a certified copy of your original academic transcript and a certificate that indicates completion of the qualification mentioned in this form.



Attach a separate sheet if all your qualification details do not fit in the space provided.

**SECTION E: Registration history**

**12. Do you have current registration or have you previously held registration as a health practitioner in any state, territory or under the National Regulation and Accreditation Scheme (the National Scheme) or other country within the past five years?**

 For a list of the professions regulated under the National scheme, please refer to [www.ahpra.gov.au](http://www.ahpra.gov.au).

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 five years**.

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

**YES**
**NO**


Where you hold current or previous registration within or outside of Australia, you **must** arrange for original Certificates of Registration Status or Certificates of Good Standing to be forwarded directly from the registration authority to your Ahpra state office. Refer to **page 17** of this form for your Ahpra state office address.

**Most recent registration**
**State/Territory/Country**

**Profession**

**Period of registration**
 /  /    to  /  /  
**Additional registration**
**State/Territory/Country**

**Profession**

**Period of registration**
 /  /    to  /  /  


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





## SECTION F: Work history

### 13. 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 curriculum vitae that describes your full practice history and any clinical or skills training undertaken.

## SECTION G: Registration period



There is no set registration period for limited registration. We'll grant you registration for 12 months from the date of the Board's approval or the date you select, whichever is the latter. If it takes more than 12 months to complete the limited requirements, you'll need to renew your registration.

### 14. If this application is approved, when would you like your limited registration to begin?

You can opt to have your registration start on the date of the Board's approval or a date nominated by you, up to 90 days into the future, as long as the date is later than the Board's approval. For more information, see *Registration approval dates* in the *Information and definitions* section of the form.

On the date of the Board's approval

On the date below, or the date of the Board's approval, whichever is the latter

**DD / MM / YY YY YY**



You can't start practising until registration has been granted. Please consider if the date you have nominated gives you time to complete any pre-employment or pre-training program requirements. You can update this date by contacting your Regulatory Officer at any time until we finalise your application.

Once your registration has been granted, you cannot change your registration start date.

## SECTION H: 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.occupationaltherapyboard.gov.au/registration-standards](http://www.occupationaltherapyboard.gov.au/registration-standards) for further information.

### 15. Do you have any criminal history in Australia?



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 of this form.

YES

NO



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





**16. Do you have any criminal history in one or more countries other than Australia?**

 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](http://www.ahpra.gov.au/internationalcriminalhistory).

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 your criminal history in a signed and dated written statement.

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 your criminal history in each of the countries listed and an explanation of the circumstances.

**17. Are there any countries other than Australia in which you have lived, or been primarily based, for six consecutive months or longer, when aged 18 years or more?**

 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](http://www.ahpra.gov.au/internationalcriminalhistory).

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*

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.



## All applicants must demonstrate English language competency via one of the following pathways:

 A list of approved recognised countries and an evidence requirements guide is available at [www.ahpra.gov.au/Registration/Registration-Standards/English-language-skills](http://www.ahpra.gov.au/Registration/Registration-Standards/English-language-skills)

### The combined education pathway

You must have a combination of secondary education and qualifications, where you have carried out and successfully completed:

- at least two years of your secondary education which was taught and assessed solely in English in a recognised country, and
- your qualification(s) for your profession, which were taught and assessed solely in English in a recognised country.

### The advanced education pathway

You have carried out and successfully completed at least six years in total of (full-time equivalent) education, all taught and assessed solely in English in a recognised country which includes:

- your qualification(s) for your profession, and
- advanced education (tertiary) at a degree level ([AQF level 7](#) or higher) which requires you to read, write, listen to and speak English.

A maximum of two years break while obtaining your qualifications and advanced education will be accepted.

The last period of education must have been completed no more than two years before applying for registration.

### The school education pathway

Your main language is English and you have carried out and successfully completed:

- at least 10 years of your primary and secondary school education which was taught and assessed solely in English in a recognised country, and
- your qualification(s) for your profession, which were taught and assessed in any country solely in English.

### The test pathway

You have achieved the required minimum scores in one of the approved English language tests and meet the requirement for test results as specified in the Appendix of the Board's English language skills registration standard.

## 18. Which one of the English language competency pathways do you meet?

 Ahpra may verify the information you provide below. For more information, see *English language skills* in the *Information and definitions* section of this form. If a qualification that was relied on for registration is not an approved program of study, you **must** provide confirmation that the course was taught and assessed solely in English. A list of approved programs of study is available at [www.ahpra.gov.au/Accreditation/Approved-Programs-of-Study](http://www.ahpra.gov.au/Accreditation/Approved-Programs-of-Study)

**The combined education pathway**

Provide details of secondary and tertiary education in the table below, [then go to question 22](#)

**The advanced education pathway**

Provide details of vocational and tertiary education in the table below, [then go to question 22](#)

**The school education pathway**

This is a declaration that English is your primary language. Provide details of primary, secondary and tertiary education in the table below, [then go to question 22](#)

**The test pathway**

You do not need to complete the table below. [Go to question 19](#)

Complete the following table of education undertaken in chronological order (earliest to most recent):

Timeframe	Level of education	Program name If applicable	Education institution Specify name and address	Recognised country If applicable	Study status
Study commenced: <input type="text"/> M <input type="text"/> M <input type="text"/> Y <input type="text"/> Y <input type="text"/> Y	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Primary <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Secondary				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Full time <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Part time
Study completed: <input type="text"/> M <input type="text"/> M <input type="text"/> Y <input type="text"/> Y <input type="text"/> Y	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Vocational <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tertiary				
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Study completed: <input type="text"/> M <input type="text"/> M <input type="text"/> Y <input type="text"/> Y <input type="text"/> Y	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Vocational <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tertiary				



Please attach a separate sheet with any additional details that do not fit in the space provided above.

If a qualification specified above was relied on for registration and is **not** an approved program of study, you **must** provide a certified copy of your academic transcript confirming that the course was taught and assessed solely in English.

If the transcript does not confirm that the course was taught and assessed solely in English, you **must** arrange for a letter in the required form to be provided directly to Ahpra by the education provider confirming that the course was taught and assessed solely in English.





**22. Have you read the Board's Professional indemnity insurance arrangements registration standard?**



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

YES

NO



You **must** read the Board's registration standard prior to answering the next question.

**23. In the coming year, do you commit to meet the Board's Professional indemnity insurance registration standard?**



When practising, you must have appropriate professional indemnity arrangements in place that meet the Board's registration standard. For more information, see *Professional indemnity insurance* in the *Information and definitions* section of this form or the full registration standard online at [www.occupationaltherapyboard.gov.au/registration-standards/professional-indemnity-insurance](http://www.occupationaltherapyboard.gov.au/registration-standards/professional-indemnity-insurance).

YES

NO

**Provide details of your circumstances below**



You **must** attach a separate sheet with additional details that do not fit in the space provided. Following the assessment of your application, you may be requested to provide further information.

**24. Have you graduated from a course relevant to the profession more than two years ago?**

YES

*Go to the next question*

NO

*Go to question 26*

**25. Do you meet the Board's recency of practice requirements?**



To meet the Board's *Recency of practice registration standard*, you must complete a minimum of:

- 750 hours of practice in the previous five years
- 450 hours of practice in the previous three years, or
- 150 hours of practice in the previous 12 months.

If you don't meet the standard, you will be required to provide information to help the Board make a decision about your application. For more information, see *Recency of practice* in the *Information and definitions* section of this form or the full registration standard online at [www.occupationaltherapyboard.gov.au/registration-standards/recency-of-practice](http://www.occupationaltherapyboard.gov.au/registration-standards/recency-of-practice).

YES

NO



You **must** attach evidence of your practice history that includes:

- your detailed practice history, including your previous scope(s) of practice and when you last practised
- your intended practice, and
- activities carried out since you last practised including any continuing professional development you may have done.

You **must** also attach to your application the *Supplementary information form* available online at [www.occupationaltherapyboard.gov.au/Registration-Standards/Recency-of-practice](http://www.occupationaltherapyboard.gov.au/Registration-Standards/Recency-of-practice)

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

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



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.





**27. 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.

**28. 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.

**29. 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.

**30. 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?**

YES NO 

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

**31. 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 I: Details of limited practice teaching and research



Your supervised practice program can only commence once this application has been approved by the Board.

**32. What is the basis for your application for limited registration for teaching or research?**

### Choose appropriate option

To take up an offer of employment from a host employer to teach or conduct research  
*Go to Part B – To be completed by the sponsor employer*

Short term requirement to teach a specific course or undertake specific research as an independent practitioner  
*Go to the next question*



You must also submit a *Supervised practice plan* for approval by the Board. This plan must be submitted no longer than **two weeks** after commencing practice. This form is available at [www.occupationaltherapyboard.gov.au](http://www.occupationaltherapyboard.gov.au)



## SECTION J: Teaching and research as an independent practitioner

### 33. What are the details of the teaching to be conducted or the research activities to be undertaken?

#### Teaching/research details

Location of the teaching/research activity

Commencement date

/

Completion date

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You **must** attach an itinerary that provides details of the location of your teaching/research activity.

### 34. What is the nature of the teaching to be conducted or the research activities to be undertaken?

- Provide a short description of the course to be conducted or the proposed research activity including the scope of practice involved.

#### Nature of the teaching/research activities

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Attach a separate sheet if the description of your teaching/research requirement does not fit in the space provided.

*Go to Section P: Obligations, consent and declaration*





## PART B – To be completed by the employer, host employer, sponsor employer

### SECTION K: Employer details

#### 35. What are the details of the employer contact?

 Details of the employer and of the position are required.

You must have a conditional offer of employment in a teaching or research post before submitting an application for limited registration for teaching or research.

#### Provide contact details below

##### Name of host employer contact

MR  MRS  MISS  MS  DR  OTHER  SPECIFY

##### Family (legal) name of contact

##### First given name

#### Employing organisation details

##### Name of employing organisation

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




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





##### State/Territory (e.g. VIC, ACT)

##### Postcode

##### Business phone




##### Mobile




##### Email

#### 36. What are the details of the position for which limited registration is being sought?

#### Position details

##### Title of the position/role

##### Location of the position

##### Commencement date

##### Completion date



You **must** attach a position description including:

- key selection criteria addressing clinical responsibilities
- qualifications and experience required (this should be obtained from the employer), and
- details of the teaching or research activities and any clinical practice that will be undertaken.





## SECTION L: List of sites

**37. What are the names and addresses of all sites of practice for which limited registration is being sought?**

**i** Provide the name and address of each site for which limited registration is required to undertake clinical practice.

**Site 1**

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


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


Suburb/City/Town

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

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Postcode

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**Site 2**

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


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


Suburb/City/Town

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

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Postcode

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Attach a separate sheet of the names and addresses of additional sites that do not fit within the spaces provided.

## SECTION M: Employer's declaration

I declare that the information provided in this part is true and correct.

I confirm that the:

- applicant named below has been formally offered the position as described in this application, and
- qualifications and clinical experience of the applicant named below are appropriate for the teaching/research role described in the position description attached.

Name of applicant

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Date

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Name of sponsor employer

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Signature of sponsor employer

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## PART C – To be completed by the applicant's nominated supervisor

### SECTION N: Nominated supervisor details



Applicants granted limited registration for supervised practice must practice only under supervision.

#### 38. What are the supervisor's details?

 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.

#### Provide supervisor details below

MR  MRS  MISS  MS  DR  OTHER

[SPECIFY](#)

Family (legal) name of supervisor

First given name

Registration number

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Position

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

  
  


City/Suburb/Town

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

Postcode

Business phone




Mobile



Email



You **must** attach to this application a curriculum vitae for the supervisor detailing the practice undertaken since registration and the current position of the supervisor.

#### 39. On the proposed date of commencement of supervised practice detailed on this application, will you hold registration as a health practitioner and have practised for at least two years?

 YES



**Provide the year of your initial registration below**

 NO



You **must** attach a separate sheet with your reasons for why this criteria should not be applied.



In conjunction with the applicant you must complete a *Supervised practice plan* for approval by the Board. The applicant must submit this plan no longer than **two weeks** after commencing practice. This form is available at [www.occupationaltherapyboard.gov.au](http://www.occupationaltherapyboard.gov.au)





## SECTION 0: Nominated supervisor's undertaking and declaration

### Undertaking

I undertake to be the applicant's primary supervisor and to provide a level of supervision as described in the Supervised Practice Framework and as otherwise determined from time to time by the Board.

I further undertake to:

- ensure that the applicant is practising safely and is not placing the public at risk
- notify the Board immediately if I have concerns about the applicant's clinical performance, health or failure to comply with conditions or undertakings
- ensure that the applicant practises in accordance with work arrangements approved by the Board
- inform the Board if I am no longer able to undertake the role of the applicant's supervisor, and
- assess, monitor and report to the Board about the performance of the practitioner undertaking the supervision.

### Declaration

I declare that the:

- information provided in this document (including supervision and training details) is true and correct.
- occupational therapist (applicant) named below will be supervised at all times while undertaking trainee practice in occupational therapy in accordance with the Supervised Practice Framework.

Name of applicant

Name of supervisor

Date

Signature of supervisor

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## **PART D – To be completed by the applicant**

### **SECTION P: Obligations, consent and declaration**



**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 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—
  - 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 to nationally coordinated criminal history check**

I consent to Ahpra and the National Board, at any time during the next 12 months, obtaining a written report about my criminal history through a nationally coordinated criminal history check. I acknowledge that:

- Ahpra and the National Boards may obtain a written report about my criminal history at any time during the next 12 months
- 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 Ahpra and the National Board
- my personal information currently held by Ahpra and from this form will be provided to the Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission (ACIC) and Australian police agencies for the purpose of conducting a nationally coordinated criminal history check, including all names under which I am or have been known
- my personal information may be used by police for general law enforcement purposes, including those purposes set out in the Australian Crime Commission Act 2002 (Cth)
- my identity information provided with this application will be enrolled with Ahpra and used by Ahpra and the National Board when obtaining a written report about my criminal history at any time during the next 12 months
- if I have not provided any identity information with this application, and Ahpra needs to obtain a written report about my criminal history at any time during the next 12 months, I will provide the required identity information when requested by Ahpra
- Ahpra may validate documents in support of this application, or that I provide when requested at any time during the next 12 months, as evidence of my identity at any time during the next 12 months
- if and when this application for renewal of registration is granted, Ahpra may obtain a written report about my criminal history at any time during the next 12 months for the purpose of:
  - a) checking a statement made by me in this application for renewal;
  - b) an audit carried out by the National Board;
  - c) assessing my ongoing suitability to hold health practitioner registration, including if a complaint is made about me to Ahpra, or
  - d) considering an application made by me about my health practitioner registration, and
- I may dispute the result of the nationally coordinated criminal history check by contacting Ahpra in the first instance.



## Declaration

I **declare** that:

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

I make this declaration in the knowledge that a false declaration amounts to a contravention of the National Law and may lead to refusal of registration or health, conduct or performance action under the National Law.

I **confirm** that if I advertise any of my services or my business, the advertising\* complies with section 133 of the National Law and the National Board's Advertising Guidelines as it:

- Is not false, misleading or deceptive or likely to be misleading or deceptive
- does not offer a gift, discount or other inducement without stating the terms and conditions of the offer
- does not use testimonials or purported testimonials about the service or business
- does not create an unreasonable expectation of beneficial treatment, and
- does not directly or indirectly encourage the indiscriminate or unnecessary use of my services.

\*For information about advertising obligations please see the advertising resources page on:

<https://www.ahpra.gov.au/Publications/Advertising-hub.aspx>

I **acknowledge** that:

- the National Board may validate documents provided in support of this application as evidence of my identity
- failure to complete all relevant sections of this application for renewal of registration and to enclose all supporting documentation may result in this application not being accepted
- notices required under the National Law and other correspondence relating to my application for renewal of registration will be sent to me electronically to me via my nominated email address
- Ahpra uses overseas cloud service providers to hold, process, and maintain personal information where this is reasonably necessary to enable Ahpra to perform its functions under the National Law. These providers include Salesforce, whose operations are located in Japan and the United States of America.

I **undertake** to comply with the all relevant legislation and National 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.

Signature of applicant



**SIGN HERE**

Name of applicant

Date

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## SECTION Q: Payment

**You are required to pay BOTH an application fee and a registration fee.**

Use the *Pro-rata registration fees* table below to select your registration fee. Your registration fee depends on how many months you will be registered and 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.

Application fee:	Registration fee:	Amount payable:
<b>\$132</b>	<b>\$ INSERT FEE</b>	<b>\$ INSERT FEE</b>
= Applicants <b>must</b> pay 100% of the stated fees at the time of submitting the application.		

### Pro-rata registration fees

	Number of months you will be registered											
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Registration fee	National fee	\$11	\$22	\$33	\$44	\$55	\$66	\$77	\$88	\$99	\$110	\$121
	NSW fee	\$11	\$21	\$32	\$42	\$53	\$63	\$74	\$84	\$95	\$105	\$116
												\$132

#### Registration period

Limited registrants may only apply to renew their registration up to three times.

#### Refund rules

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

### 40. Please complete the credit/debit card payment slip below.

#### Credit/Debit card payment slip – please fill out

Amount payable

Name on card

Visa or Mastercard number

Cardholder's signature




Expiry date

CVV



## SECTION R: Checklist



Please label **each attachment** with the corresponding question number.

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

<b>Additional documentation</b>		<b>Attached</b>
<b>Question 1</b>	Evidence of a change of name	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Question 3</b>	Certified copies of all documents that provide sufficient evidence of your identity	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Question 5</b>	Certified copies of all documents that provide sufficient evidence of your identity	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Question 11</b>	Certified copies of <b>all</b> your relevant qualifications approved or considered to be equivalent by the Board	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Question 11</b>	A separate sheet with your additional qualification details	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Question 12</b>	Certificate of Registration Status or Certificate of Good Standing has been requested from relevant authority	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Question 12</b>	A separate sheet with additional registration history details	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Question 13</b>	Your curriculum vitae	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Question 15</b>	A signed and dated written statement with details of your criminal history in Australia and an explanation of the circumstances	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Question 16</b>	A separate sheet of additional overseas countries with criminal history and corresponding ICHC reference number	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Question 16</b>	A signed and dated written statement with details of your criminal history outside Australia and explanation of the circumstances	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Questions 16 &amp; 17</b>	ICHC reference page provided by the approved vendor	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Question 17</b>	A separate sheet of additional overseas countries lived in and corresponding ICHC reference number	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Question 18</b>	A separate sheet with any additional qualification details	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Question 18</b>	Transcript(s)/letter(s) from education provider confirming that your course was taught and assessed solely in English	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Question 20</b>	Copy of your English language test results	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Question 21</b>	Certified copy of your English language test results	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Question 21</b>	Evidence of continuous employment as a registered health practitioner or in a relevant health, disability, or aged care related role where English was the primary language of practice and/or continuous enrolment in an approved program of study	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Question 23</b>	A separate sheet with additional details of why you do not commit to meet the Board's PII registration standard	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Question 25</b>	Evidence of your practice history	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Question 25</b>	A completed <i>Recency of practice – supplementary information</i> form	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Question 26</b>	A separate sheet with your impairment details	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Question 27</b>	A separate sheet with your current suspension or cancellation details	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Question 28</b>	A separate sheet with your previous cancellation, refusal or suspension details	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Question 29</b>	A separate sheet with your previous conditions, undertakings or limitations details	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Question 30</b>	A separate sheet with your disqualifications details	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Question 31</b>	A separate sheet with your conduct, performance or health proceedings	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Section I</b>	A supervised practice plan form	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Question 33</b>	An itinerary detailing the location of your teaching/research activity	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Question 34</b>	A separate sheet with your additional description of your teaching/research activity	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Question 36</b>	A position description	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Question 37</b>	A separate sheet of the names and addresses of additional sites	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Question 38</b>	Your supervisor's curriculum vitae	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Question 39</b>	A separate sheet with reasons for why this criteria should not be applied	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Payment</b>		
	Application fee	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Registration fee	<input type="checkbox"/>



**Do not email this form.**

Please submit this completed form and supporting evidence using the Online Upload Service at [www.ahpra.gov.au/registration/online-upload](http://www.ahpra.gov.au/registration/online-upload).  
You may contact Ahpra on 1300 419 495

## Information and definitions

### CERTIFYING DOCUMENTS

#### DO NOT send original documents.

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](http://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.aspx](http://www.ahpra.gov.au/certify.aspx)
- 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,
- for documents containing a photograph, the following certification statement must be included by the authorised officer, 'I certify that this is a true copy of the original and the photograph is a true likeness of the person presenting the document as sighted by me', along with their signature, 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 via the Online Upload Service at [www.ahpra.gov.au/registration/online-upload](http://www.ahpra.gov.au/registration/online-upload). 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.aspx](http://www.ahpra.gov.au/certify.aspx)

### CHANGE OF NAME

You must provide evidence of a change of name if you have ever been formally known by another name(s) or if 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
- Deed poll
- Change of name certificate.

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

### CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT (CPD)

Registered occupational therapists must meet the requirements of the Board's CPD registration standard. For more information, view the full registration standard online at [www.occupationaltherapyboard.gov.au/Registration-Standards/Continuing-professional-development](http://www.occupationaltherapyboard.gov.au/Registration-Standards/Continuing-professional-development)

### 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, and
- 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 your criminal history is relevant to the practice of your profession. You are not required to obtain or provide your Australian criminal

history report, Ahpra will obtain this check on your behalf. But if you have not given us certified proof of identity documents since October 2019, you will need to do this first.

Any document containing a photograph must be annotated with the statement '*I certify that this a true copy of the original and the photograph is a true likeness of the person presenting the document as sighted by me.*'

You may be required to obtain international criminal history reports.

For more information, view the full registration standard online at [www.occupationaltherapyboard.gov.au/registration-standards](http://www.occupationaltherapyboard.gov.au/registration-standards) and the requirements for supplying proof of identity and certified documents at [www.ahpra.gov.au/Registration/Applying-for-registration/Proof-of-Identity](http://www.ahpra.gov.au/Registration/Applying-for-registration/Proof-of-Identity) and [www.ahpra.gov.au/certify.aspx](http://www.ahpra.gov.au/certify.aspx)

### CURRICULUM VITAE

Your curriculum vitae must:

- outline your personal information
- detail any gaps in your practice history of more than three months from the date you obtained your qualification
- be in chronological order
- be signed and dated with a statement 'This curriculum vitae is true and correct as at (insert date)', and
- be the original signed curriculum vitae (no faxes or scanned copies will be accepted).

It must also contain all the elements defined in Ahpra's standard format for curriculum vitae which can be found at [www.ahpra.gov.au/cv](http://www.ahpra.gov.au/cv)

### ENGLISH LANGUAGE SKILLS

To be eligible for registration you **must** be able to provide evidence of English language skills that meet the Board's *English language skills registration standard*.

For further information, view the full registration standard online at [www.occupationaltherapyboard.gov.au/registration-standards](http://www.occupationaltherapyboard.gov.au/registration-standards)

### IMPAIRMENT

The National Law defines impairment as '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'.

An illness or health condition that is safely managed is not the same as impairment, as these do not have a detrimental impact on your capacity to practise. Examples you do not need to tell us about include:

- wearing prescription glasses to correct your vision or hearing aids to correct your hearing, or
- seeing a psychologist for anxiety and following a treatment plan.

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 the individual uses their skills and knowledge as a practitioner in their regulated health 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 patients or clients, working in management, administration, education, research, advisory, regulatory or policy development roles and any other roles that impact on safe, effective delivery of health services in the health profession.



## PROFESSIONAL INDEMNITY INSURANCE (PII)

You cannot practise as an occupational therapist in Australia unless you are covered by your own, or third-party professional indemnity insurance (PII) arrangements that meet the requirements of the Board's registration standard. You need to understand how you are covered.

Remember, practising means using your skills and knowledge as a health practitioner in any paid or unpaid role in your profession.

Occupational therapists are exempt from requiring PII when:

- the scope of practice of an individual practitioner does not include the provision of healthcare or opinion in respect of the physical or mental health of any person
- a practitioner has statutory exemption from liability. That is, they are employed as a practitioner or are in another arrangement and are exempted from liability under state or Commonwealth legislation, or
- practitioners are registered in Australia but are practising exclusively overseas.

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.

For more information, view the full registration standard online at [www.occupationaltherapyboard.gov.au/Registration-Standards/Professional-indemnity-insurance](http://www.occupationaltherapyboard.gov.au/Registration-Standards/Professional-indemnity-insurance)

## RECENCY OF PRACTICE

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

To meet the standard, you must have completed a minimum of:

- 750 hours of practice in the previous five years
- 450 hours of practice in the previous three years, or
- 150 hours of practice in the previous 12 months.

If you are returning to practice after an absence and not meeting the Board's recency of practice registration standard, the specific requirements for registration will depend on the scope of practice, your level of experience and the length of absence from that scope, including any continuing professional development undertaken.

If you propose to extend your scope of practice you must complete any advanced training/preparation that your peers would reasonably expect to ensure you are competent. If you are making a substantial change to a different scope you must submit a plan for professional development to the Board for approval before commencing the extended scope of practice.

For more information, view the full registration standard online at [www.occupationaltherapyboard.gov.au/registration-standards](http://www.occupationaltherapyboard.gov.au/registration-standards)

or the codes and guidelines at [www.occupationaltherapyboard.gov.au/codes-guidelines](http://www.occupationaltherapyboard.gov.au/codes-guidelines)

## REGISTRATION APPROVAL DATES

**On the date of the Board's approval** – this means your registration will start on the date all application requirements are received and you're assessed as eligible for registration.

**On the date below or the date of the Board's approval, whichever is the latter** – this means your registration will start on the date you nominated, providing it is after the date of the Board's approval. If not, then your registration will start on the date of the Board's approval.

# Applications

# Proof of identity

Before continuing, please refer to the *Proof of identity requirements* available at [www.ahpra.gov.au/identity](http://www.ahpra.gov.au/identity).

## 1. Do you have an Australian residential address?

- Yes – You will be asked to complete your identity verification through Ahpra's third party vendor, InstalD+. For further information, please refer to the *Proof of identity requirements* available at [www.ahpra.gov.au/identity](http://www.ahpra.gov.au/identity)
- No – *Go to the next question*

## 2. Do you hold a current Australian or overseas passport?

- Yes – *Select one option*
  - I have an Australian passport – *Go to question 3*
  - I have an overseas passport – *Go to question 4*

- No – ! **You cannot proceed with this application.** We must be able to verify your identity, we cannot verify your identity without a current passport.

## 3. Can you provide the following proof of identity documents:

- **one 'commencement of identity' document** (e.g. Australian passport, Australian birth certificate)
- **one 'primary use in the community' document** (e.g. Australian drivers licence, Overseas Passport)
- **two 'secondary use in the community' documents** (e.g. Medicare card, Australian institution Tertiary Student Photo ID, Foreign government issued document)

- Yes – ✓ **Thank you, no further questions.** You will be asked to complete your identity verification through Ahpra's third party vendor, InstalD+. For further information, please refer to the *Proof of identity requirements* available at [www.ahpra.gov.au/identity](http://www.ahpra.gov.au/identity).

- No – *Go to the next question*

## 4. For Ahpra to verify your identity, can you provide two (2) of the following documents:

- **a current Australian visa**
- **a current foreign driver's licence**
- **foreign birth certificate**
- **foreign marriage certificate**
- **foreign identity card**
- **credit or debit card**

- Yes – You will be asked to complete your identity verification through Ahpra's third party vendor, InstalD+. For further information, please refer to the *Proof of identity requirements* available at [www.ahpra.gov.au/identity](http://www.ahpra.gov.au/identity)

- No – ! **You cannot proceed with this application.** We must be able to verify your identity, we cannot verify your identity.

## Identity verification

### You are required to verify your identity.

To complete your identity check, once your application is received by Ahpra, you will be sent a link with instructions. The link will take you to our third party vendor InstalD+ website.

- You will be asked to take a selfie photo of your face with your photo ID and take photos of your identity documents. This will include any change of name evidence if you have changed your name.
- You can do your identity check from your desktop (with a web camera) or mobile phone.
- Your documents are checked in real-time for authenticity and tampering. Facial recognition and liveness test are completed, and your identity details are checked against issuing authority databases for validity.
- If required, InstalD+ Customer Support may contact you directly if there is any follow up required about your identity check.

You must lodge your identity verification within 30 days to avoid your application being discontinued. If your application is discontinued, a refund of all fees will be provided.

If you have any questions, or require assistance with the identity verification, please contact InstalD+ on 1800 080 095.

Please refer to the Proof of identity requirements available at [www.ahpra.gov.au/identity](http://www.ahpra.gov.au/identity)

An incomplete identity verification may delay processing and could result in your application for registration being withdrawn.