

Media release

Local decisions in a National Scheme – Regulating health practitioners in Tasmania

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The number of registered health practitioners in Tasmania (Tas) has continued to grow over the past year with AHPRA and the National Boards today releasing a report on health practitioner regulation in Tas for the year ending 30 June 2016.

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Drawn from the [2015/16 Annual report of AHPRA and the National Boards](#), the report provides a snapshot of registered health practitioners in Tas as well as information about our work to keep the public safe. It also includes national comparisons to show how Tas compares with national rates.

‘The summary report provides a Tas lens on the regulation of health practitioners in Australia,’ said AHPRA CEO Martin Fletcher. ‘It profiles the work of our local AHPRA office in Hobart and the important work of health practitioner boards in Tas.’

‘It demonstrates the importance of our local arrangements while drawing on the benefits of being part of a national registration scheme.’

Some of the highlights include:

- there are now 14,123 registered health practitioners in Tas, compared with 13,886 in the previous year
- Tas practitioners accounted for 2.1% of all registered health practitioners in Australia
- there was a 12.6% increase in notifications in Tas compared to a 19.7% national increase
- there were seven notifications closed after a panel hearing and five tribunal decisions finalised during the year
- Tas boards and committees took ‘immediate action’ 13 times as an interim step to manage risk to public safety during the year, leading to a restriction on registration in 12 cases, and
- there were 105 cases under active compliance monitoring in Tas as at 30 June 2016, accounting for 2.1% of all cases nationally.

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