



SECOND MEETING OF THE PHYSIOTHERAPY BOARD OF AUSTRALIA 22 OCTOBER 2009

The second meeting of the Physiotherapy Board of Australia was held on 22 October 2009 at the Melbourne Airport Hilton. The Board is established under the *Health Practitioner Regulation (Administrative Arrangements) National Law Act 2008*.

The main focus of the Board's second meeting was further discussion of the proposals that would be the subject of the consultation process to occur in late October and November around registration and related matters. Following the consultation period, the Board will finalise its position on registration proposals. At its December meeting the Board will complete this work in order to provide the proposals to the Australian Health Workforce Ministerial Council for decision.

The Board acknowledges the tight timetable for completion of the initial part of its work. The timetable is necessary so that all registrants can have advice ahead of the commencement day on 1 July 2010 of the new registration standards and requirements.

The Board agreed that it would undertake consultation in late October on proposals on the following matters:

- [REDACTED]
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[REDACTED] requirements for English language skills and requirements in relation to previous practice, and
- [REDACTED]

The Board finalised arrangements for publication of a consultation paper dealing with these proposals on its website, and agreed on a process to notify key stakeholders. The consultation paper will go up on the Agency website (www.aphra.gov.au) on 27 October 2009. Comments on the consultation paper will be due by 24 November 2009 and the Board urges stakeholders to meet this deadline so their comments can be properly considered.

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22 October 2009