



Fast track application for general and/or specialist registration Profession: Podiatry

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

The Podiatry Board of Australia (the Board) has decided on a fast track application process for practitioners who:


- previously held general registration as a podiatrist and/or specialist registration as a podiatric surgeon in Australia
- did not apply for renewal of registration within one month of the 30 November 2024 expiry date (i.e. before 31 December 2024), and
- are now applying for registration between 1 and 31 January 2025.

This fast track application process is only available for one month after the previous registration has lapsed. It differs from the standard application process in that it does not require:

- verification of identification unless there has been a change in criminal history
- verification of qualifications if recorded as part of previous registration
- verification of English language skills, and
- verification of registration history or work history.

It is important that you refer to the Board's registration standards, codes and guidelines when completing the form. These documents can be found at www.podiatryboard.gov.au.

 **You are unable to practise until your application has been finalised and your details appear on the public register. If you are currently practising, you must stop immediately.**

 **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.





Fast track applications are usually processed within 48–72 hours unless the practitioner fails to provide sufficient information, has made an adverse declaration or previously held registration that was subject to conditions. In these circumstances, processing time frames may extend beyond the usual timeframes.

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 <https://www.ahpra.gov.au/About-Ahpra/Privacy.aspx>


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 <https://www.ahpra.gov.au/About-Ahpra/Privacy.aspx>

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.

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.



SECTION A: Personal details



The information items in this section of the application that are 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

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)*

3. List the details of your recently expired registration under the National Law:

Expiry date of registration / /

Registration number

4. Did you hold an endorsement or specialist registration prior to recent expiry, and require this to be reinstated?

YES Provide details below NO

Endorsements*

Specialist registration*

5. Have you practised the profession in Australia since 31 December 2024?

YES NO

Last date that you practiced
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SECTION B: Contact information



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

6. What are your contact details?

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

Business hours **Mobile**

After hours

Email

7. 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 next question for the definition of principal place of practice.

Residential address **cannot** be a PO Box.

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

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

City/Suburb/Town*

State or territory (e.g. VIC, ACT)/**International province*** **Postcode/ZIP***

Country (if other than Australia)

8. Will the address of your principal place of practice be the same as your residential address?

YES

NO *Provide your Australian principal place of practice below*



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.

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

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

City/Suburb/Town*

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



9. What is your mailing address?

- My residential address
- My principal place of practice
- Other (*Provide your mailing address below*)

i Your mailing address is used for postal correspondence.

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**

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Country (if other than Australia)

SECTION C: Registration period

i The annual registration period for the podiatry profession is from 1 December – 30 November each year.

10. If this application is approved, when would you like your general 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


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i 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 D: 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.podiatryboard.gov.au/Registration-Standards for further information.

11. Since your last declaration to Ahpra, has there been any change to your criminal history in Australia that you have not declared to Ahpra?



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 **Go to the next question**



You **must** attach:

- a signed and dated written statement with details of any change to your criminal history in Australia and an explanation of the circumstances, and
- supply proof of your identity.

You do not have to provide your Australian criminal history report. We will obtain this for you. In order for a nationally coordinated criminal history check to be conducted by Ahpra and the Board for the purpose of assessing this application for registration, you must supply certified copies of your proof of identity documents as outlined below. You must only use each document once and the documents provided must meet the following criteria:

- At **least one** document must be in the applicant's 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/translate for further information.
- If using your passport, a certified copy of the identity information page (the photo page) must be provided.
- 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.

Choose proof of identity documents to submit – then go to the next question

- 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:			Documents	Category used:		
	A	B	C		A	B	C
Australian birth or adoption certificate	<input type="checkbox"/>	NA	<input type="checkbox"/>	Australian financial institution account	NA	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	NA	NA	<input type="checkbox"/>
ImmiCard	<input type="checkbox"/>	NA	<input type="checkbox"/>	Australian PAYG payment summary	NA	NA	<input type="checkbox"/>
Australian citizenship certificate	<input type="checkbox"/>	NA	<input type="checkbox"/>	Australian motor vehicle registration	NA	NA	<input type="checkbox"/>
Australian passport	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Australian Taxation Assessment Notice	NA	NA	<input type="checkbox"/>
Australian driver's licence	NA	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Australian insurance policy	NA	NA	<input type="checkbox"/>
Foreign passport	NA	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Australian pension/healthcare card	NA	NA	<input type="checkbox"/>
Australian Working with Children Check or Vulnerable People Check	NA	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Category D documents			
Australian firearms or shooter's licence	NA	<input type="checkbox"/>	<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 student ID card	NA	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	I have used a Category B or C document that has my current residential address			<input type="checkbox"/>
International or foreign driver's licence	NA	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Australian rate notice			<input type="checkbox"/>
Australian proof of age card	NA	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Current Australian lease or tenancy agreement			<input type="checkbox"/>
Australian government benefits	NA	NA	<input type="checkbox"/>	Australian utility account			<input type="checkbox"/>
Australian academic transcript	NA	NA	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Australian registration certificate	NA	NA	<input type="checkbox"/>				



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



12. Since your last declaration to Ahpra, has there been any change to your criminal history in one or more countries other than Australia that you have not declared to Ahpra?

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 the change in your criminal history in a signed and dated written statement.

i 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

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

13. In the previous registration period, did you meet the Board's registration standard for professional indemnity insurance arrangements?

YES

NO

i For more information, see *Professional Indemnity Insurance* in *Information and definitions* on page two of this form.

Provide details of your circumstances

You **must** attach a separate sheet with additional details that do not fit in the space provided.

14. Do you commit to meet the Board's registration standard for professional indemnity insurance arrangements?

YES

NO

i When practising, you must have appropriate professional indemnity arrangements in place that meet the Board's standard.


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

Provide details of your circumstances

You **must** attach a separate sheet with additional details that do not fit in the space provided.



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

 To meet the Board's *Registration standard: Recency of practice*, you are required to have practised at least 450 hours within the previous three years, or 150 hours within the previous 12 months in your intended scope of practice. 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.

N/A I am a recent graduate and my qualification for registration was awarded in the last 12 months.
Go to question 22


YES

Mark all options applicable to your application – then go to question 20

- I have practised a minimum of 150 hours in my intended scope of practice in the last year.
- I have practised a minimum of 450 hours in my intended scope of practice in the last three years.

NO **Go to the next question**

16. Do you have at least two years prior clinical practice experience as a registered podiatrist and/or podiatric surgeon?

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

YES **Go to the next question** NO

Attachment required below – then go to question 20



You must attach evidence of the following:

- at least one years' quota of CPD activities relevant to your intended scope of practice completed in the previous 12 months
- your practice history, that includes details of your previous scope(s) of practice and when you last practised as a registered podiatrist and/or podiatric surgeon (for example, your CV)
- your intended scope of practice, and
- any relevant activities carried out since you last practised as a podiatrist and/or podiatric surgeon, including any additional education or training.

You will have conditions placed on your registration to facilitate your return to safe professional practice. For more information, see *Recency of practice* in the *Information and definitions* section of this form.

17. How long have you been absent from practice?

Choose appropriate option

- Less than one year
- Between one and three years



You **must** attach evidence of:

- at least one years' quota of CPD activities relevant to your intended scope of practice completed in the previous 12 months, and
- your practice history, that includes when you last practised as a registered podiatrist and/or podiatric surgeon (for example, your CV).


- More than three years



You **must** attach:

- evidence of at least one years' quota of CPD activities relevant to your intended scope of practice completed in the previous 12 months, and
- a plan for professional development and re-entry to practice for consideration by the Board. Refer to information relating to re-entry to practice at:
www.podiatryboard.gov.au/Policies-Codes-Guidelines

18. Have you changed the scope of your practice in the previous 12 months?

 For more information, see *Recency of practice* in the *Information and definitions* section of this form and the Board's *Registration standard: Recency of practice* for information about changing scope of practice.

YES NO



You **must** attach details, including any relevant training and assessments undertaken for the Board to consider your application.



19. Will you be changing your scope of practice since you were last practising?

YES

NO



You **must** attach details, including any relevant training and assessments undertaken and a plan for professional development for the Board to consider your application.

20. Have you completed training that includes cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR), management of anaphylaxis and use of an automated external defibrillator conducted by an approved training organisation?



The training must be current and you must have a current certificate or other evidence that is issued by the approved training organisation to show that you have successfully completed the training. For more information view the full CPD registration standard and CPD guidelines online at www.podiatryboard.gov.au/Policies-Codes-Guidelines/CPD-resources.aspx

YES

NO

Provide details if you have not previously informed the Board

Form area with horizontal dashed lines for providing details.



You **must** attach a separate sheet with additional details that do not fit in the space provided.

21. If you are a podiatric surgeon, do you hold a current certificate in advanced life support from an approved training organisation?

N/A

I am not a podiatric surgeon – **Go to question 25**

YES

I hold a current certificate in advanced life support – **Go to the next question**

NO



The requirement that you hold a current certificate in advanced life support is part of the Board's continuing professional development (CPD) requirements. For more information, see *Continuing Professional Development* in the *Information and definitions* section of this form.

Provide details if you have not previously informed the Board – **Go to the next question**

Form area with horizontal dashed lines for providing details.



You **must** attach a separate sheet with additional details that do not fit in the space provided.

22. Will you be performing exposure-prone procedures in your practice?



This question is only applicable to podiatric surgeons. Routine procedures undertaken by podiatrists, including nail avulsion in the clinical setting, are non-exposure prone procedures.



Exposure prone procedures (EPPs) are procedures where there is a risk of injury to the healthcare worker resulting in exposure of the patient's open tissues to the blood of the healthcare worker. These procedures include those where the healthcare worker's hands (whether gloved or not) may be in contact with sharp instruments, needle tips or sharp tissues (spicules of bone or teeth) inside a patient's open body cavity, wound or confined anatomical space where the hands or fingertips may not be completely visible at all times. The CDNA has developed guidance on exposure-prone procedures in *Guidance on classification of exposure prone and non-exposure prone procedures in Australia 2017* available online at <https://www.health.gov.au/resources/collections/cdna-national-guidelines-for-healthcare-workers-on-managing-bloodborne-viruses?language=en> You can seek additional information about whether you perform exposure-prone procedures from your relevant organisation in *Appendix 2* of the national guidelines.

YES

Go to the next question

NO

Go to question 25



23. During the preceding period of registration, have you complied with the Australian National Guidelines for the management of healthcare workers living with blood borne viruses and healthcare workers who perform exposure prone procedures at risk of exposure to blood borne viruses?



This includes testing for HIV, Hepatitis C and Hepatitis B at least once every three years. Testing for Hepatitis B is not necessary if you have demonstrated immunity to HBV through vaccination or resolved infection. For more information, see the Information and definitions of this form.

YES

NO

Provide detailed reason(s) below for why you did not comply with the guidelines

Text area for providing reasons for non-compliance with guidelines.



You must attach a separate sheet with additional details that do not fit in the space provided.

24. Do you commit to comply with the Australian National Guidelines for the management of healthcare workers living with blood borne viruses and healthcare workers who perform exposure prone procedures at risk of exposure to blood borne viruses?



As a health practitioner you must comply with the Australian National Guidelines for the management of healthcare workers living with blood borne viruses and healthcare workers who perform exposure prone procedures at risk of exposure to blood borne viruses. Please review the guidelines and confirm you will comply with them.

This includes testing for HIV, Hepatitis C and Hepatitis B at least once every three years. Testing for Hepatitis B is not necessary if you have demonstrated immunity to HBV through vaccination or resolved infection. For more information, see the Information and definitions section of this form.

YES

NO

25. During your preceding period of registration, have you met the Board's continuing professional development (CPD) requirements?



For more information, see Continuing professional development in the Information and definitions section of this form.

YES

NO

Provide details of any CPD you have undertaken and why the CPD requirements have not been met

Text area for providing details of CPD undertaken and why requirements were not met.



You must attach a separate sheet with additional details that do not fit in the space provided.

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?



Co-regulatory jurisdiction means a participating jurisdiction (of the National Law) in which the Act applying (the National Law) declares that the jurisdiction is not participating in the health, performance and conduct process provided by Divisions 3 to 12 of Part 8 (of the National Law).

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.

32. During your preceding period of registration, has your right to practise at a hospital or another facility at which health services are provided been withdrawn or restricted because of your conduct, professional performance or health?

YES

NO

Provide details of the withdrawal or restriction of the right to practise

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You **must** attach a separate sheet with additional details that do not fit in the space provided.

33. During your preceding period of registration, have your billing privileges been withdrawn or restricted under the *Human Services (Medicare) Act 1973* (Cth) because of your conduct, professional performance or health?

YES

NO

Provide details of the withdrawal or restriction of your billing privileges

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You **must** attach a separate sheet with additional details that do not fit in the space provided.

34. Have you previously disclosed to Ahpra all known complaints made about you to:

- a registration authority; or
- another entity having functions relating to professional services provided by health practitioners or the regulation of health practitioners (in Australia or elsewhere)?



'Complaints' refers to matters other than those made since 1 July 2010, under the National Law and already reported to Ahpra. **If you are not aware of any complaints made about you please select N/A.**

N/A I am not aware of any complaints

YES I have already disclosed all known complaints

NO **I do need to declare a complaint**



Attach details of all known complaints made about you since you last renewed your registration. Please include details about to whom the complaint was made and when the complaint was made.



SECTION E: 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) 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—
 - a) 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

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SECTION F: Payment

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

Application fee:	Registration fee:	Amount payable:
\$60	\$413	\$473
+		Applicants must pay 100% of the stated fees at the time of submitting the application.
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i Registration period
The annual registration period for the podiatry profession is from 1 December to 30 November.

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

35. 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


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Expiry date

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SECTION G: Checklist

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

<i>Additional documentation</i>		Attached
Question 1	Evidence of a change of name	<input type="checkbox"/>
Question 11	Certified copies of all documents that provide sufficient evidence of your identity	<input type="checkbox"/>
Question 11	A signed and dated written statement with details of any change to your criminal history in Australia and an explanation of the circumstances	<input type="checkbox"/>
Question 12	A separate sheet of overseas countries and corresponding ICHC reference number	<input type="checkbox"/>
Question 12	ICHC reference page provided by the approved vendor	<input type="checkbox"/>
Question 12	A signed and dated written statement with details of any change to your criminal history overseas and an explanation of the circumstances	<input type="checkbox"/>
Question 13	A separate sheet with details of why you have not met PII requirements	<input type="checkbox"/>
Question 14	A separate sheet with details of why you do not commit to practise the profession in Australia in accordance with the requirements of the Board's <i>PII arrangements registration standard</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Question 16	Evidence of one years' quota of CPD activities relevant to your intended scope of practice	<input type="checkbox"/>
Question 16	Evidence of your practice history that includes when you last practised as a registered podiatrist and/or podiatric surgeon	<input type="checkbox"/>
Question 16	Evidence of your intended scope of practice	<input type="checkbox"/>
Question 16	Evidence of any relevant activities carried out since you last practised as a registered podiatrist and/or podiatric surgeon	<input type="checkbox"/>
Question 17	Evidence of one years' quota of CPD activities relevant to your intended scope of practice	<input type="checkbox"/>
Question 17	Evidence of your practice history that includes when you last practised as a registered podiatrist	<input type="checkbox"/>
Question 17	A plan for professional development and re-entry to practice	<input type="checkbox"/>
Question 18	Details including any relevant training and assessments undertaken for your change in scope of practice	<input type="checkbox"/>
Question 19	Details including any relevant training and assessments undertaken and a plan for professional development	<input type="checkbox"/>
Question 20	A separate sheet with details of why you do not have a CPR certificate	<input type="checkbox"/>
Question 21	A separate sheet with details of why you do not hold a current certificate in advanced life support	<input type="checkbox"/>
Question 23	A separate sheet with details of why you did not comply with the guidelines	<input type="checkbox"/>
Question 25	A separate sheet with details of CPD you have undertaken and why the CPD requirements have not been met	<input type="checkbox"/>
Question 26	A separate sheet with your impairment details	<input type="checkbox"/>
Question 27	A separate sheet with your suspension or cancellation details	<input type="checkbox"/>
Question 28	A separate sheet with your previous cancellation, refusal or suspension details	<input type="checkbox"/>
Question 29	A separate sheet with your conditions, undertakings or limitations details	<input type="checkbox"/>
Question 30	A separate sheet with your disqualification details	<input type="checkbox"/>
Question 31	A separate sheet with your conduct performance or health proceedings details	<input type="checkbox"/>
Question 32	A separate sheet with details of the withdrawal or restriction of the right to practise	<input type="checkbox"/>
Question 33	A separate sheet with details of the withdrawal or restriction of your billing privileges	<input type="checkbox"/>
Question 34	A separate sheet with support papers detailing any complaints made	<input type="checkbox"/>
Payment		
	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.

You may contact Ahpra on 1300 419 495



Information and definitions

AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL GUIDELINES FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF HEALTHCARE WORKERS LIVING WITH BLOOD BORNE VIRUSES AND HEALTHCARE WORKERS WHO PERFORM EXPOSURE PRONE PROCEDURES AT RISK OF EXPOSURE TO BLOOD BORNE VIRUSES

The Communicable Diseases Network Australia (CDNA) has published these guidelines. The following is a summary of the requirements in the CDNA guidelines:

Healthcare workers who perform exposure prone procedures (EPPs) must take reasonable steps to know their blood-borne virus (BBV) status and should be tested for BBVs at least once every three years. They are also expected to:

- have appropriate and timely testing and follow up care after a potential occupational exposure associated with a risk of BBV acquisition
- have appropriate testing and follow up care after potential non-occupational exposure, with testing frequency related to risk factors for virus acquisition
- cease performing all EPPs if diagnosed with a BBV until the criteria in the guidelines are met, and
- confirm that they comply with these guidelines when applying for renewal of registration if requested by their board.

Practitioners who are living with a blood-borne virus and who perform exposure-prone procedures have additional requirements. They are expected to:

- be under the ongoing care of a treating doctor with relevant expertise
- comply with prescribed treatment
- have ongoing viral load monitoring at the appointed times
- not perform EPPs if particular viral load or viral clearance criteria are not met (see detailed information in the guidelines according to the specific BBV)
- seek advice regarding any change in health condition that may affect their fitness to practise or impair their health
- release monitoring information to the treating doctor
- if required, release de-identified information to the relevant area of the jurisdictional health department/Expert Advisory Committee, and
- if required, release health monitoring information to a designated person in their workplace in the event of a potential exposure incident to assess the requirement for further public health action.

Additional information can be found in the CDNA *Australian National Guidelines for the Management of Healthcare Workers Living with Blood Borne Viruses and Healthcare Workers Who Perform Exposure Prone Procedures at Risk of Exposure to Blood Borne Viruses* available online at <https://www.health.gov.au/resources/collections/cdna-national-guidelines-for-healthcare-workers-on-managing-bloodborne-viruses?language=en>

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
- 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
- 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. 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

CHANGE OF NAME

You must provide evidence of a change of name if you have ever been formally known by another name(s) or 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 (ceremonial certificates will not be accepted)
- Deed poll.
- Change of name certificate.

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

CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT (CPD)

You are required to participate regularly in continuing professional development (CPD) that is relevant to your scope of practice.

Consumers of podiatric services have the right to expect that podiatrists will provide services in a competent and contemporary manner that meets best practice standards. Continuing professional development is an interactive process to maintain, enhance and extend the practitioner's knowledge, expertise and competence throughout their career. It is an important component in the continued provision of safe and effective services.

For more information, view the full registration standard online at www.podiatryboard.gov.au/Registration-Standards

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.

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and the requirements for supplying proof of identity and certified documents at www.ahpra.gov.au/Registration/Applying-for-registration/Proof-of-Identity and www.ahpra.gov.au/certify.aspx

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 a podiatrist or podiatric surgeon 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.

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

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.

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REGENCY OF PRACTICE

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

To meet the standard you must have practised at least:

- 450 hours within the previous three years, or
- 150 hours within the previous 12 months in your intended scope of practice.

If you have been absent from practice, the specific requirements for recency depend on your scope of practice, your level of experience and the length of absence from the scope.

If you propose to change your scope of practice, the Board will consider whether your peers would view the change as a normal extension or variation in a scope of practice, or a change that would require specific training and demonstration of competence.

Practitioners who are unable to meet the Board's registration standard for recency of practice may be required to complete professional development activities, submit a plan for re-entry to practice or other training or assessments.

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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.