

Dear AHPRA,

Thank you for allowing us the opportunity to provide comments regarding the Consultation Paper on International Criminal History.

In our opinion of the four options proposed in the paper, either option 1 (Applicant declaration only) or option 4 (Applicant makes declaration and AHPRA undertakes random sample audit) would be viable as the applicant can arrange for an original Statutory Declaration to be prepared and then provide this to AHPRA with the initial application and associated notarised documentation.

As in the early days of AHPRA, if either option 2 (Applicant provides criminal history clearance evidence with application) or option 3 (AHPRA obtains clearance/information from jurisdictions outside Australia when processing application) is implemented, this may again cause delays to registration grant which could then impact the hospital services.

Thank you again.

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