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Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency

## Registers of practitioners

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### Practitioner information: Changes to improve the way your registration details appear on the register

#### Overview

AHPRA has implemented some changes that will affect the way information about your registration appears both on the public register and on the home page for practitioner online services. These changes help streamline AHPRA's registration system to better manage practitioners' registration information throughout their life. It also means that from now on, keeping track of your unique registration number is easier.

#### Registration number

Your current registration number will now stay with you for life. You will only have one registration number for each profession in which you are registered.

Previously, if you took a break from your registration, you were issued with a new number when you re-registered. Sometimes, you were also assigned different registration numbers for each registration within a profession (such as general and specialist). These numbers have now been consolidated into a current single registration number.

#### Will I get a new registration number as a result of these changes?

No. You will retain your current registration number. If you previously had more than one registration number, you will retain the one that is published on the public register.

#### What happens if I am unregistered for a period of time?

The registration number is assigned to you for life. It does not matter for how long you are not registered. When you re-register, you will retain the same registration number if you remain in the same profession. If you are registered in different professions you will have a different registration number for each profession.

#### What happens if I have multiple specialities or registrations?

You will have one registration number for each profession in which you are registered, no matter how many specialties you hold. Each specialty will be displayed separately, but you will have the same single registration number published on the public register and on your practitioner home page.

### What will be displayed on the public register?

Some changes have been made to the way information is displayed, but the only new information published on the register is the start date of your initial registration as a health practitioner. In some cases, this may not have been published if your registration had lapsed for a period of time.

The public register will display:

- your name, profession and nominated principal place of practice
- your registration number
- your registration status (such as registered or suspended. Cancelled practitioners do not appear on the register but a list of cancelled practitioners is published separately)
- the date of your initial registration in Australia
- the start date of your current period of registration (these may be the same date)
- any endorsements, conditions, undertakings, notations or reprimands issued since July 2010
- all types of registration within a profession will be displayed as separate blocks of information (e.g. division, registration type, registration subtype, specialty and field of specialist practice)