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Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency

## Media release

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### AHPRA releases 2013/14 business plan

The Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA) has [published its 2013/14 business plan](#), which outlines how AHPRA will achieve its goals in implementing the National Scheme for health professionals.

AHPRA is the national organisation responsible for implementing the National Registration and Accreditation Scheme in partnership with 14 National Boards that regulate their health professionals.

AHPRA Chief Executive Martin Fletcher said the 2013/14 business plan outlined what AHPRA needs to do to manage the here-and-now demands, while building the best health practitioner regulation system for the long-term.

'The plan outlines the actions we need to take to ensure we are able to effectively and efficiently protect the public and facilitate access to services and workforce mobility,' Mr Fletcher said.

AHPRA's commitment to consistency, service and capability again forms the backbone of the plan in 2013/14, as well as an increased focus on measurement and reporting.

Through this, AHPRA and the Boards will gain more insight into the issues facing health practitioners and in health regulation, and be able to report on national trends.

'Greater transparency in everything we do continues to be very important to satisfy ourselves and the public that we are regulating effectively by managing quality, timeliness and volume in all areas of our work,' he said.

Partnership between the National Boards and AHPRA continued to be essential to the success of the National Scheme.

'Working together, AHPRA and the National Boards have achieved a lot and we are proud of how far the National Scheme has come in three years,' Mr Fletcher said.

'We recognise there is more to do. The plan outlines how we will achieve this and meet our responsibilities to improve public and patient safety and develop the Australian health workforce.'

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