



Aboriginal and Torres Strait  
Islander Health Practice  
Chinese Medicine  
Chiropractic  
Dental  
Medical  
Medical Radiation Practice  
Nursing and Midwifery  
Occupational Therapy  
Optometry  
Osteopathy  
Pharmacy  
Physiotherapy  
Podiatry  
Psychology

Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency

## Agency Management Committee Communiqué

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October 2016

The 80<sup>th</sup> meeting of the [Agency Management Committee](#) (the Committee) was held on Tuesday 18 October via teleconference.

This Communiqué highlights key discussions and considerations from the Committee's meeting.

### Chair and members' report

The Presiding member, Ms Barbara Yeoh, chaired the Committee meeting in the absence of Mr Michael Gorton AM, Chair, Agency Management Committee.

The Committee received an update of the Agency Management Committee Effectiveness Review which is scheduled to take place in early 2017.

The Committee noted the CEO report and update from the CEO.

### Business items

The Committee noted the intention to develop and implement a reconciliation action plan (RAP) for the National Scheme. The Committee will consider an overall strategy in early 2017.

The Committee noted the Senate Standing Committee on Community Affairs has re-adopted the [Inquiry into the medical complaints process in Australia](#) and the [Inquiry on growing evidence of an emerging tick-borne disease that causes a Lyme-like illness for many Australian patients](#).

The Committee welcomed a proposed approach to develop a multifaceted, risk based advertising compliance strategy.

### News from AHPRA

We are calling for final year students to apply online now for registration as a health practitioner. Our [online graduate service](#) helps to smooth the path from study to work by enabling students to apply for registration four to six weeks before they graduate.

Twelve Boards have launched their registration renewal campaign for health practitioners whose registration to practice expires on 30 November 2016. A video explaining how to renew registration online is available on the [Practitioner Services](#) page of AHPRA's website.

The next meeting of the Agency Management Committee will take place on Tuesday 15 November 2016 in Victoria.