



## Health Ministers' Communiqué

12 April 2021

### **Health Ministers announce National Board appointments**

Health Ministers, as the Ministerial Council for the National Registration and Accreditation Scheme (the National Scheme), are very pleased to announce new appointments and reappointments of Chairs, practitioner members and community members to fill vacancies arising across 10 National Boards regulating health professions under the National Scheme.

The vacancies are primarily a result of the scheduled expiry of terms for Chairs, practitioner members and community members appointed to National Boards by the Ministerial Council in 2017. Other vacancies on National Boards have also been filled through this process. The vacancies were advertised in the national metropolitan press and on the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (Ahpra) and respective National Board websites earlier this year.

The details of the statutory appointments made by the Ministerial Council are set out in the attachment to this communiqué.

The appointment process enables renewal across the membership of National Boards and enables Ministers to consider the mix and balance of skills, experience and attributes that members may bring to the relevant board. There is an opportunity to introduce new members to bring a fresh perspective to the regulatory work of the boards and the National Scheme.

Ministers were pleased with the response to the call for registered practitioners and members of the community to apply for appointment to the National Boards and thanked everyone who took the time to apply. Overall, 155 applications were received for the advertised vacancies across National Boards – 88 applications for practitioner member vacancies and 67 applications for community member vacancies.

Ministers acknowledged all outgoing board members and thanked them for their service – especially those inaugural board members who are retiring from the National Boards having served three consecutive terms. These members' contributions to health practitioner regulation from first appointment in 2012 to now have been outstanding.

Ministers thanked retiring Chair of the Chinese Medicine Board of Australia, Distinguished Professor Charlie C. Xue for his outstanding commitment, leadership, dedication and contribution to the National Scheme and health practitioner regulation and wished him all the best for his future endeavours. Distinguished Professor Charlie C. Xue was first appointed in 2011 as inaugural Chair and member of the Board.

Ministers congratulated Professor Chi Eung Danforn Lim on his appointment as the new Chair of the Chinese Medicine Board of Australia and appointment as practitioner member from New South Wales. His appointment to this leadership role reflects the depth and breadth of his skills and experience.

Ministers welcomed all new and returning Chairs and members to the 10 National Boards. Ministers thanked them for expressing their interest in, and commitment to the principles of the National Scheme and the regulation of health practitioners in the public interest and wished them well over the coming years with their important regulatory roles.

The Ministerial Council's appointments are made under the Health Practitioner Regulation National Law, as in force in each state and territory and are consistent with the Australian Health Ministers' Advisory Council (AHMAC) endorsed *National Board Member Succession Planning Principles*.

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### Appointments made to National Boards

Appointments made to National Boards by resolution of the Health Council on 8 February 2021 under the *Health Practitioner Regulation National Law* as in force in each state and territory, for terms as indicated below.

#### Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Practice Board of Australia

Ms Renee Owen	Reappointed as Chair (second term) and as practitioner member from Victoria for a period of 3 years (fourth term) from 23 February 2021
Ms Leanne Quirino	Reappointed as practitioner member from South Australia for a period of 3 years (second term) from 23 February 2021
Mr Bruce Brown	Reappointed as a community member for a period of 3 years (third term) from 22 February 2021
Mrs Margaret McCallum	Reappointed as a community for a period of 3 years (second term) from 22 February 2021
Mr Christopher O'Brien	Appointed as practitioner member from New South Wales for a period of 3 years (first term) from 22 February 2021
Ms Abbey Shillingford	Appointed as a community member for a period of 3 years (first term) from 22 February 2021
Mr Kenton Winsley	Appointed as practitioner member from the Northern Territory for a period of 12 months (first term) from 13 March 2021

All other current National Board appointments continue. Other members are listed on the Board's website: <https://www.atsihealthpracticeboard.gov.au/>

#### Chinese Medicine Board of Australia

Professor Chi Eung Danforn Lim	Appointed as Chair (first term) and as practitioner member from New South Wales for a period of 3 years (first term) from 17 February 2021
Mr Roderick Martin	Reappointed as practitioner member from Queensland for a period of 3 years (third term) from 17 February 2021
Mr David Brereton	Reappointed as a community member for a period of 3 years (second term) from 2 March 2021
Ms Dina Tsiopelas	Appointed as practitioner member from South Australia for a period of 3 years (first term) from 18 February 2021
Mrs Johanna Shergis	Appointed as practitioner member from Victoria for a period of 3 years (first term) from 18 February 2021
Mr Luke Hubbard	Appointed as practitioner member from Western Australia for a period of 3 years (first term) from 17 February 2021
Ms Sophy Athan	Appointed as a community member for a period of 3 years (first term) from 18 February 2021

All other current National Board appointments continue. Other members are listed on the Board's website: <https://www.chinesemedicineboard.gov.au/>

### **Chiropractic Board of Australia**

Mr Arcady Turczynowicz                      Reappointed as practitioner member from South Australia for a period of 3 years (second term) from 25 February 2021

All other current National Board appointments continue. Chair and members are listed on the Board's website: <https://www.chiropracticboard.gov.au/>

### **Medical Radiation Practice Board of Australia**

Mr Mark Marcenko                              Reappointed as Chair (third term) and as practitioner member from Tasmania for a period of 12 months (fourth term) from 23 February 2021

Associate Professor Caroline Wright      Reappointed as practitioner member from Victoria for a period of 3 years (second term) from 23 February 2021

Mr James Green                                Reappointed as practitioner member from the Australian Capital Territory for a period of 3 years (second term) from 1 March 2021

Mr Roger Weckert                              Reappointed as practitioner member from the Northern Territory a period of 3 years (third term) from 26 February 2021

Ms Joan Burns                                 Reappointed as a community member for a period of 3 years (second term) 25 February 2021

Mr Anthony Buxton                            Appointed as practitioner member from New South Wales for a period of 3 years (first term) from 22 February 2021

Mr Travis Pearson                             Appointed as practitioner member from Queensland for a period of 3 years (first term) from 26 February 2021

Ms Renea Hart                                 Appointed as a community member for a period of 3 years (first term) from 24 February 2021

All other current National Board appointments continue. Other members are listed on the Board's website: <https://www.medicalradiationpracticeboard.gov.au/>

### **Occupational Therapy Board of Australia**

Ms Julie Brayshaw                            Reappointed as Chair (third term) and as practitioner member from Western Australia for a period of 3 years (fourth term) 25 February 2021

Dr Justin Scanlan                              Reappointed as practitioner member from New South Wales for a period of 3 years (second term) from 22 February 2021

Ms Roxane Marcelle-Shaw                  Reappointed as a community member for a period of 3 years (third term) from 26 February 2021

Ms Angela Thynne                            Appointed as practitioner member from Queensland for a period of 3 years (first term) from 22 February 2021

Ms Rebecca Singh                            Appointed as practitioner member from South Australia for a period of 3 years (first term) from 22 February 2021

Dr Claire Pearce                                Appointed as practitioner member from the Australian Capital Territory for a period of 3 years (first term) 26 February 2021

Mr Darryl Annett                      Appointed as a community member for a period of 3 years (first term) from 23 February 2021

All other current National Board appointments continue. Other members are listed on the Board's website: <https://www.occupationaltherapyboard.gov.au/>

### **Osteopathy Board of Australia**

Dr Paul Orrock                      Reappointed as practitioner member from New South Wales for a period of 3 years (second term) 25 February 2021

Mr Andrew Yaksich                      Reappointed as practitioner member from Western Australia for a period of 3 years (third term) from 25 February 2021

All other current National Board appointments continue. Chair and members are listed on the Board's website: <https://www.osteopathyboard.gov.au/>

### **Paramedicine Board of Australia**

Professor Stephen Gough ASM                      Reappointed as Chair (second term) and as practitioner member from Queensland for a period of 3 years (second term) from 22 February 2021

Ms Clare Beech                      Reappointed as practitioner member from New South Wales for a period of 3 years (second term) from 1 March 2021

Mr Keith Driscoll ASM                      Reappointed as practitioner member from South Australia for a period of 3 years (second term) from 22 February 2021

Associate Professor Ian Patrick ASM                      Reappointed as practitioner member from Victoria for a period of 3 years (second term) from 22 February 2021

Ms Angela Wright                      Reappointed as practitioner member from Western Australia for a period of 3 years (second term) from 23 February 2021

Mr Howard Wren ASM                      Reappointed as practitioner member from the Australian Capital Territory for a period of 3 years (second term) from 23 February 2021

Ms Linda Renouf                      Reappointed as a community member for a period of 3 years (second term) from 22 February 2021

Ms Jeanette Barker                      Reappointed as a community member for a period of 3 years (second term) from 2 March 2021

All other current National Board appointments continue. Other members are listed on the Board's website: <https://www.paramedicineboard.gov.au/>

### **Pharmacy Board of Australia**

Dr Janet Preuss                      Appointed as an acting community member for a period of up to 1 year from 23 February 2021

All other current National Board appointments continue. Chair and members are listed on the Board's website: <https://www.pharmacyboard.gov.au/>

### **Physiotherapy Board of Australia**

Mr Noel McRoberts                      Appointed as an acting practitioner member from Tasmania  
for a period of up to 1 year from 22 February 2021

All other current National Board appointments continue. Chair and members are listed on the Board's website: <https://www.physiotherapyboard.gov.au/>

### **Psychology Board of Australia**

Ms Jade Gooding                      Appointed as practitioner member from the Northern  
Territory for a period of 3 years (first term) from 22  
February 2021

All other current National Board appointments continue. Chair and members are listed on the Board's website: <https://www.psychologyboard.gov.au/>