



Health Ministers' Meeting

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Dear Dr Tonkin

Approval of the revised CPD registration standard for medical practitioners

Thank you for your letter of 3 February 2021, on behalf of the Medical Board of Australia, submitting the Board's proposal to update the continuing professional development (CPD) registration standard for medical practitioners (the proposed revised registration standard).

I am pleased to advise that pursuant to section 12 of the Health Practitioner Regulation National Law, as in force in each state and territory, Health Ministers have approved the revised registration standard as recommended by the Board.

In approving the revised registration standard, Health Ministers noted your advice that the revised registration standard will assure the Board and the public that doctors' performance is maintained and enhanced through efficient, effective, contemporary, evidence-based CPD relevant to their scope of practice.

We understand that the Board will now work with specialist medical colleges and Ahpra on implementation activities to support the revised registration standard taking effect on 1 January 2023. We trust this delayed commencement will enable the Board to communicate with registered medical practitioners to ensure a smooth transition for registrants and other stakeholders – including at the Board's national stakeholder forum.

Thank you for bringing the Board's proposal to Health Ministers' Meeting.

Yours sincerely

Stephen Wade MLC
Chair
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