# Communique



October 2022 Medical Radiation Practice Accreditation Committee meeting

The Medical Radiation Practice Accreditation Committee (the Committee) publishes this communiqué on the Committee's <u>accreditation webpages</u>. Please forward it to your colleagues who may be interested.

## **Committee meeting**

The 61<sup>st</sup> meeting of the Committee was held via Zoom on 6 October 2022. The Committee anticipates holding three meetings in 2023.

Some activities that were discussed at the Committee's October 2022 meeting, as well as some other activities, are outlined more thoroughly below.

# **Farewell to Chair and Deputy Chair**

Professor Brian Jolly, Chair of the Committee and Professor Sarah Lewis, Deputy Chair of the Committee will complete their final terms on 31 December 2022. Brian commenced on the Committee in January 2013, while Sarah commenced in January 2016. Both Brian and Sarah have been instrumental in establishing a robust accreditation system for the medical radiation profession. The Committee acknowledged their invaluable contribution and welcomed the incoming leadership team, Dr Louise McCall as Chair, and Ms Jillian Harris and Dr Natalie Pollard as co-Deputy Chairs.

Information on the membership is available on the Committee's membership webpage.

## Assessments and monitoring activities

# Accreditation assessments underway

The Committee must make accreditation decisions according to the National Law (Section 48) and the published <u>Guidelines for accreditation of education and training programs</u> (guidelines).

The Committee noted the status and due dates of applications for two upcoming accreditation assessments planned in 2022. The Committee received accreditation assessment applications from two education providers for their programs of study in the first half of 2022. The Committee will consider the assessment teams' reports in the first half of 2023.

#### 2022 routine annual monitoring

The Committee's 2022 routine annual monitoring package (including COVID-19 reporting) was disseminated to education providers in March 2022. The Committee considered the 2022 routine annual monitoring reports from eight education providers and their programs of study. The Committee will provide the outcomes to the education providers and National Board.

# Monitoring approved programs of study

At its October 2022 meeting, the Committee considered monitoring responses from two education providers for their programs of study. The outcomes of the Committee's evaluation will be provided to the education providers and National Board in November 2022.

The Committee will continue to provide updates to the National Board on its monitoring of approved programs of study.

### Stakeholder engagement

The Committee has invited the Australian Society of Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy and Medical Radiations Australia to attend its February 2023 meeting to discuss matters of common interest, including how education providers are managing post-pandemic impacts on students and program delivery.

The Program Accreditation team, on behalf of the Committee, continues to engage with education providers via the Committee's <u>accreditation webpages</u>, through correspondence via email, phone contact and videoconference meetings, and communiques.

## **Contact information**

For any queries related to medical radiation practice accreditation, please contact the Committee via the <a href="Program Accreditation team">Program Accreditation team</a>. For more information on medical radiation practice accreditation please visit the Committee's <a href="accreditation">accreditation</a> webpages.

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