

Media release

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Podiatry Board of Australia sets fee for 2015/16

The Podiatry Board of Australia (the Board) has announced that the national registration fee for podiatrists and podiatric surgeons for 2015/16 has been reduced.

The Board has reduced the registration fee to \$378, which is \$10 less than in the previous year. The annual renewal fee will apply from 9 September 2015 and cover the registration period for most practitioners of 1 December 2015 to 30 November 2016.

The fee for practitioners whose principal place of practice is NSW is \$430.1

A full fee schedule, including the fee arrangements for practitioners whose principal place of practice is NSW, will be published on the Board's website.

The National Registration and Accreditation Scheme (the National Scheme) is funded by practitioners' registration fees. The decision to reduce the fee ensures practitioners are not unduly burdened, but still provides sufficient income to allow the Board to meet its obligations in protecting the public.

Board Chair, Ms Catherine Loughry, said that the Board has worked hard to ensure that the fee is set at the lowest practicable level, while still ensuring that it can fulfil its obligations as a national regulator.

'It's important that the Board can continue to provide robust and safe regulation of podiatry in Australia and to protect the public, and that the fees should be reasonable,' Ms Loughry said.

The Board will also shortly publish the Health Profession Agreement (HPA). The HPA provides information about the Board's financial operations, outlines the partnership between the Board and the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA), and the services AHPRA will provide to the Board to regulate podiatry.

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¹ NSW is a co-regulatory jurisdiction.