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Students urged to apply online for a smooth path from study to work

Students about to graduate as health practitioners are being urged to go online to apply early for registration and smooth the path from study to work.

The Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA) launched online registration for final year students in May 2011. The online graduate registration service enables students to apply for registration early before they complete their course.

Most students are able to complete their registration application online, while others use the dedicated web pages to be directed to the correct application form. All applications require students to return some supporting documents to AHPRA by mail.

AHPRA Chief Executive Officer Martin Fletcher urged all final year students about to graduate to go online and apply for registration four to six weeks before completing their course.

“AHPRA’s focus is to make the path from study to work a smooth one as graduating students need to be registered in their health profession before they can start work,” Mr Fletcher said.

There are five simple steps to graduate registration:

1. Students apply for registration 4 to 6 weeks before completing their course at <http://www.ahpra.gov.au/Registration/Graduate-Applications.aspx>
2. Applicants fill out an online application (if eligible) or download an application form. All applications require some documents to be sent to AHPRA by mail.
3. Education providers advise AHPRA when applicants are eligible to graduate
4. AHPRA finalises assessment, confirms registration, publishes new graduates’ names on the Register of Practitioners and sends out registration certificates
5. New graduates are registered and eligible to start working as soon as their name is published on the Register of Practitioners

For more information

- Go to the Graduate Applications Website at <http://www.ahpra.gov.au/Registration/Graduate-Applications.aspx> for FAQs and links to more information
- For registration enquiries: 1300 419 495 (within Australia) +61 3 8708 9001 (overseas callers)
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