



## Communiqué

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### Meeting of the Podiatry Board of Australia held on 24 September 2014

#### Online renewal of registration is now open

Online renewal of registration is now open for general, specialist or non-practising podiatrists and podiatric surgeons.

Podiatrists and podiatric surgeons with general, specialist or non-practising registration should renew their registration by 30 November 2014.

Under the National Law, all registered health practitioners are responsible for renewing their registration on time each year. [We encourage you to renew online.](#)

A series of reminders are being sent to practitioners with a registered email address by AHPRA on behalf of the Board. The reminders include a link to online renewal.

It is important that AHPRA has your current contact information so you don't miss future email and hard copy reminders to renew.

#### Updating contact details

To check or update your contact details, go to the [Your Account](#) link on the AHPRA homepage, and enter your User ID, date of birth and password. Please note that your User ID is not your registration number. If you cannot remember your user ID or password, contact us [online](#) or call 1300 419 495.

#### CPD Reminder

When you renew your registration, you must declare whether you have met the Board's continuing professional development (CPD) requirements. The Board may refuse to renew your registration if the CPD requirements have not been met.

The Board's requirements for CPD are set out in the [Continuing professional development registration standard](#) (PDF, 334KB).

The Board's *Guidelines for continuing professional development* and FAQ's for CPD are also on the [Board's website](#).

The Board encourages you to read these documents carefully to ensure that you understand your CPD requirements. You need to ensure that you have met these requirements by the time you renew your registration.

#### 2014/2015 Health Profession Agreement published

The Board and AHPRA have published the Health Profession Agreement that outlines the partnership between the Board and AHPRA, including the services AHPRA will provide to the Board in 2014/2015.

The Board and AHPRA work together to implement the National Registration and Accreditation Scheme (National Scheme), which regulates registered health practitioners in Australia in the public interest.

The guiding principles of the National Law require the National Scheme to operate in a 'transparent, accountable, efficient, effective and fair way'; and for registration fees to be reasonable 'having regard to the efficient and effective operation of the scheme'.

One of the fundamental aspects of the National Scheme is that there is no cross-subsidisation between professions. This means that the regulation of each profession is entirely paid for by that profession's registration fees.

The 2014/15 Health Profession Agreement is published on the [Board's website](#)

#### **Further information**

Further information about the Board can be found on the [Board's website](#). Practitioners are encouraged to refer to the site for news and updates on policies or guidelines affecting their profession.

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**Podiatry Board of Australia**  
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