

## Communiqué

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26 November 2012

### November 2012 Meeting of the Medical Radiation Practice Board of Australia

At its November 2012 meeting, the Medical Radiation Practice Board of Australia (the Board) considered a range of issues including codes and guidelines, supervised practice, accreditation and communications.

This communiqué outlines the issues discussed and decisions made by the Board at its meeting and other points of interest. The Board publishes this communiqué on its website and emails it to a broad range of stakeholders. Please forward it on to colleagues and employees who may be interested in the work of the Board.

#### Accreditation Committee update

The Board has made a further call for expressions of interest from health practitioners interested in being appointed to the Board's Accreditation Committee. Applications for these vacancies close on Monday 26 November. A selection panel will be convened in December to progress appointments to the Committee.

#### Renewals

Practitioners are reminded to renew their registration before 30 November 2012, if they are from the ACT, NSW, SA, NT or Victoria. Late fees may apply after this date.

#### Guidelines

The Board has updated its continuing professional development and recency of practice guidelines. The CPD guidelines now include information on a CPD pro-rata formula which can be used to calculate how many CPD hours need to be completed if a practitioner is registered partway through a CPD cycle. The recency of practice guidelines now includes an overarching statement and a definition of scope of practice.

The Board has also published a CPD record which can be used by practitioners to record their CPD activities, which can be found in the Continuing Professional Development section of the Board's website under the Registrations tab.

#### Review of current codes and guidelines

In 2013 as part of a scheduled review, all National Boards in the National Scheme will be reviewing the registration standards, codes and guidelines that are common to all professions. Consultation will be staggered to enable stakeholders to provide thoughtful feedback on a range of important issues. The Board will publish more information about the schedule of reviews as it becomes available.

## Newsletter

The Board released its first newsletter on 30 October 2012, distributed by email and in hard copy to practitioners who have not yet provided the Board with their email address. It included important information on the role of the Board, practitioner obligations and student registration. The Board welcomes feedback on the newsletter and is keen to establish a regular flow of communication with practitioners and other stakeholders. The Board intends to release three Newsletters each year.

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Chair

**Medical Radiation Practice Board of Australia**

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