

## Media release

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### Medical Radiation Practice Board of Australia sets fee for 2014/15

The Medical Radiation Practice Board of Australia has announced that the national registration fee for medical radiation practitioners for 2014/15 has been reduced.

The Board has reduced the registration fee to \$250, which is \$45 less than in the previous year. The new fee will apply from 9 September 2014 and cover the registration period for most practitioners of 1 December 2014 to 30 November 2015.

Board Chair, Mr Neil Hicks, said that the Board was pleased to be reducing fees and was continuing to increase efficiencies and reduce costs in the regulation of the medical radiation practitioners under the National Scheme.

'The National Registration and Accreditation Scheme has provided a range of opportunities and we continue to review our approaches in the interests of nationally consistent and cost effective regulation, and to protect the public,' Mr Hicks said.

The National Boards, in the national scheme regulating health practitioners in Australia, have continued to see an increase in notifications (complaints) over the past year. As the number, complexity and cost of these cases can't be accurately forecast, the Boards will continue to keep fees under close review to ensure careful financial management.

A fee schedule, including the fee arrangements for practitioners whose principal place of practice is NSW, will be published on the National Board's website.<sup>1</sup>

More detailed information about the Board's financial operations will be outlined in the Health Profession Agreement between the Board and AHPRA for 2014/15, which will be published on the website soon. This agreement sets out the partnership between the Board and AHPRA, and the services AHPRA will provide to support the Board to regulate the profession.

The regulation of medical radiation practitioners is funded solely by registrant fees and there is no cross subsidisation between professions.

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<sup>1</sup> NSW is a co-regulatory jurisdiction.