



Media release

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Psychology Board of Australia sets fee for 2014/15

The Psychology Board of Australia has announced the national registration fee for psychologists for 2014/15.

The fee has been set at \$431, limiting the increase to the national consumer price index (CPI) of 2.9%. It will apply from 9 September 2014 and cover the registration period for most practitioners of 1 October 2014 to 30 September 2015. The fee for psychologists whose principal place of practice is NSW is \$330.¹

Board Chair, Professor Brin Grenyer, said that the Board limited increasing the fee to 2.9%, which is under the national consumer price index (CPI), so that the Board can continue to provide robust and safe regulation of psychologists in Australia and to protect the public.

'After four years experience as part of the National Registration and Accreditation Scheme, we have more complete and accurate information about the actual costs of regulating psychology under the National Law. The practitioner fees allow the Board to perform its regulatory function, in an efficient, effective and fair way,' Prof Grenyer said.

The National Board, 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.

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 psychology.

The regulation of psychology is funded solely by registrant fees and there is no cross subsidisation between professions that are regulated in the National Registration and Accreditation Scheme.

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¹ NSW is a co-regulatory jurisdiction.