

Communiqué

27 April 2018

The Psychology Board of Australia (the Board) is established under the Health Practitioner Regulation National Law (National Law), as in force in each state and territory. At each meeting, the Board considers a wide range of issues, many of which are routine and are not included in this communiqué.

This communiqué highlights key issues from the 95th meeting of the Board on 27 April 2018.

Current consultations

Thank you to those individuals and organisations who have provided feedback on the Boards' consultation on Guidelines for Supervisors and Supervisor training providers. The Board will now consider the feedback received and hopes to release the revised guidelines within the next few months.

The Board continues to consult on the proposal to retire the 4+2 internship and the Professional Indemnity Insurance registration standard and would welcome any further feedback on these documents. Consultation documents are available on the <u>Consultations</u> page of the Board's website.

Proposal to retire the 4+2 internship

In response to significant interest in the Board's proposal to retire the 4+2 Internship, the following resources have been developed:

- the <u>4+2 internship programs FAQ</u> on the Boards website, and
- the Professional Practice Issues page on the Board's website

Interested people can also register to attend the following stakeholder meetings to hear more about the Board's proposal:

- Attend the Board's forum in Sydney: The Board will be hosting a forum in Sydney on 24 May 2018. Registrants who live in the Sydney area can hear the Board speak about the rationale for the proposal to retire the 4+2 internship, and to ask questions. Click <u>here</u> for further details, including how to register for the event.
- Attend the Board's webinar: Registrants who cannot attend the Sydney forum are invited to attend a national webinar on the evening of Thursday 17 May. This webinar is for all psychologists no matter where you live. Invitations to the webinar have been emailed to all generally registered and provisional psychologists in April and the link is also available on the Board's website.

Quarterly statistics report

The Board has released the latest registration data report for the psychology profession, which shows that there are now 35,369 psychologists nationally. The report, which also includes data on area of practice endorsements and Board-approved Supervisors, is published on the <u>Board's website</u>.

Further information

The Board publishes a range of information for psychologists on its website at <u>http://www.psychologyboard.gov.au/</u>. For more information about registration, notifications or other matters relevant to the National Scheme also refer to information published on <u>www.ahpra.gov.au</u> or send an <u>online enquiry form</u> or contact AHPRA on 1300 419 495.

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