

Communiqué

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Update from the Medical Radiation Practice Board of Australia

The Medical Radiation Practice Board of Australia (the Board) met in Melbourne on 25 February 2014. The Board discussed a range of matters and provides this update for the interest of stakeholders.

Practitioner forum in Perth

The Board will be meeting practitioners and answering questions at a forum on Monday 24 March at the Rydges in Perth from 6pm. Similar forums in the eastern states were held late last year and for anyone unable to attend the session the presentation with voiceover is available on the Board's website [here](#). To register to attend the free Perth forum, please email your name and phone number to: Board-MRP-RSVP@ahpra.gov.au

Workforce Innovation and Reform Working Group

The Board's Workforce Innovation and Reform Working Group met for the first time in Melbourne on 22 February 2014. The Group discussed its workplan for the year and identified a number of issues that have the potential to impact on medical radiation practice workforce reform. The working group consists of practitioners, Board and Accreditation Committee members and representatives from relevant associations. The group will regularly engage with stakeholders throughout the course of its work.

Quarterly data

One of the benefits of the national registration and accreditation scheme is the wealth of data gathered regarding health practitioners in Australia. It is now possible to produce accurate reports on the number of practitioners registered in each profession in Australia. The latest quarterly report is now available on the Board's website under 'About Us' and '[Statistics](#)'.

New professional standards for practitioners

In February the National Board published revised and new standards, codes and guidelines which will come into effect on 17 March 2014:

- revised *Guidelines for advertising regulated health services*
- revised *Guidelines for mandatory notifications*
- revised *Code of conduct*, and
- new *Social media policy*.

All registered health practitioners will need to meet these new standards. The [media release](#) on the Board's website has links to the new documents, fact sheets and FAQs. The Board recommends familiarising yourself with these documents.

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Chair

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