

## Ahpra Board communiqué

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### February 2023

The [Ahpra Board](#) met on Tuesday 14 February 2023 in a hybrid capacity with some members attending face-to-face in Melbourne and others by videoconference. This communiqué highlights key discussions and considerations from the meeting.

The Chair acknowledged the Traditional Owners of the lands on which the meeting was being held and paid respect to their Elders, past and present.

### CEO report

Members noted the CEO report highlighting:

- intense and continuing media scrutiny over the past few weeks, including the Four Corners Program on sexual misconduct
- work on options to strengthen the approach to management of sexual misconduct matters in order to advise Ministers
- reporting on the National Cabinet work program and the associated independent review
- targeted consultation underway on implementation of key National Law amendments
- update on cyber security initiatives.

The Board also received a presentation from the Chair of the Community Advisory Council providing an update on the current activities of the Council.

### Business items

In other agenda items the Ahpra Board:

- noted the draft HPA report 1 (2022/2023)
- authorised minor amendments to the Instrument of delegation and authorisations made by the Ahpra Board
- approved the extension of appointment for the current external member on the Finance, Audit and Risk Management Committee for another two years
- noted the progress of the work on identifying and minimising the risk of distress of practitioners involved in a regulatory process
- considered and noted the update on resource prioritisation to support the delivery of the Transformation Program
- received an update on the Cosmetic surgery review implementation

The next meeting of the Ahpra Board will be a strategy meeting and is scheduled for 14 March 2023.