

December 2024 Paramedicine Accreditation Committee meeting

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Committee meeting

The twenty-third meeting of the Committee was held face-to-face in Melbourne on 4 and 5 December 2024.

Some activities that were discussed at the Committee's December 2024 meeting, as well as some other key activities, are outlined below.

Assessment and monitoring activities for approved programs of study

Accreditation assessments

The Committee considered an accreditation assessment team report, against the 2020 accreditation standards for Western Sydney Bachelor of Paramedicine program. Western Sydney University and the Paramedicine Board of Australia (National Board) will be provided with the accreditation decision and report.

Monitoring approved programs of study

The Committee considered monitoring evaluation reports from nine education providers and their programs of study. The outcomes of the Committee's evaluation will be provided to the education providers and the National Board following the Committee's meeting.

The Committee will continue to provide updates to the National Board on its monitoring of approved programs of study.

2024 Routine annual monitoring

The Committee considered 2024 routine annual monitoring reports for 10 programs of study. The Committee will provide the outcome of their evaluations to the education provider and the National Board.

Committee updates

At its December meeting, the Committee also discussed:

- Ahpra's plans to implement actions recommended by the Health Ministers to improve responses to family domestic and sexual violence, including training in the health care workforce, and
- Sue Dawson is reporting the outcomes of the recent consultation paper on the *Review of complexity in the National Registration and Accreditation Scheme* to Health Ministers soon. A targeted consultation will be conducted in early 2025 based on advice from the Health Ministers, with a view to a final report being release in May.

2020 Accreditation standards: Paramedicine review

The project to review the *2020 Accreditation standards: Paramedicine* commenced in March 2024. The project has been conducted in conjunction with the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Practice, Chinese Medicine, Medical Radiation Practice and Podiatry Accreditation Committees. The review of the Paramedicine accreditation standards has now been aligned with the National Board's review of the Professional Capabilities, and to allow better consideration of the Advanced Practice Paramedics project. The Committee noted consultations with key stakeholders are scheduled to commence in early 2025, and further information will be available in the new year.

Health Professions Accreditation Collaborative Forum

The Health Professions Accreditation Collaborative Forum's (HPACF) November 2024 meeting agenda and papers were provided to the Committee. The Committee continues to engage in the HPACF's important work. More information can be found on the HPACF's [website](#).

Stakeholder engagement

The Program Accreditation team, on behalf of the Committee, continues to engage with education providers via the Committee's accreditation webpage and through correspondence on email; phone contact; videoconferences with the Chair and representatives from the Committee; and communiqués via the Program Accreditation team.

Next meeting

The next meeting of the Committee is scheduled for 19 February 2025 in Melbourne.

Contact information

For any queries related to paramedicine program accreditation, please contact the Committee via the Program Accreditation team at program.accreditation@ahpra.gov.au. For more information on paramedicine accreditation please visit the Committee's [accreditation webpage](#).

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