



Fast track application for registration

Profession: Medical

Part 7 Division 6 of the Health Practitioner Regulation National Law (the National Law)

This form is for practitioners who:

- previously held general and/or specialist registration as a medical practitioner in Australia
- did not apply for renewal of registration within one month of the expiry date, and
- are now applying for registration.

This fast track application process is only available for one month after the previous registration has lapsed. It differs from the standard application process in that it does not require:

- verification of identification unless there has been a change in criminal history
- verification of qualifications if recorded as part of previous registration
- · verification of English language skills, and
- · verification of registration history or work history.

It is important that you refer to the Medical Board of Australia's (the Board) registration standards when completing the form. Registration standards, codes and guidelines can be found at www.medicalboard.gov.au



You are unable to practise until your application has been finalised and your details appear on the public register. If you are currently practising, you must stop immediately.



This application will not be considered unless it is complete and all supporting documentation has been provided. Supporting documentation must be certified in accordance with the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (Ahpra) guidelines. For more information, see *Certifying documents* in the *Information and definitions* section of this form.

Fast track applications are usually processed within 48-72 hours unless the practitioner fails to provide sufficient information, has made an adverse declaration or previously held registration that was subject to conditions. In these circumstances, processing timeframes may extend beyond the usual timeframes.

Privacy and confidentiality

The Board and Ahpra are committed to protecting your personal information in accordance with the *Privacy Act 1988* (Cth). The ways the Board and Ahpra may collect, use and disclose your information are set out in the collection statement relevant to this application, available at https://www.ahpra.gov.au/about-ahpra/privacy.aspx

By signing this form, you confirm that you have read the collection statement. Ahpra's privacy policy explains how you may access and seek correction of your personal information held by Ahpra and the Board, how to complain to Ahpra about a breach of your privacy and how your complaint will be dealt with. This policy can be accessed at https://www.ahpra.gov.au/about-ahpra/privacy.aspx

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Additional information

Provides specific information about a question or section of the form.



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Highlights important information about the form.



Attach document(s) to this form

Processing cannot occur until all required documents are received.



Signature required

Requests appropriate parties to sign the form where indicated.



Mail document(s) directly to Ahpra

Requires delivery of documents by an organisation or the applicant.

Completing this form

- Read and complete all questions.
- Ensure that **all pages** and required **attachments** are returned to Ahpra.
- Use a black or blue pen only.
- Print clearly in BLOCK LETTERS
- Place X in all applicable boxes:
- DO NOT send original documents unless specified.



Do not use staples or glue, or affix sticky notes to your application. Please ensure all supporting documents are on A4 size paper.

SECTION A: Personal details

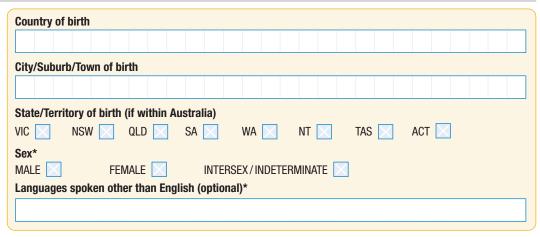


The information items in this section of the application marked with an asterisk (*) will appear on the public register.

1. What is your name and date of birth?

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Date of	Date of birth DD / MM / YYYY												
	If you have ever been formally known by another name, or you are providing documents in another name, you must attach proof of your name change unless this has been previously provided to the Board. For more information, see <i>Change of name</i> in the <i>Information and definitions</i> section of this form.												

2. What are your birth and personal details?

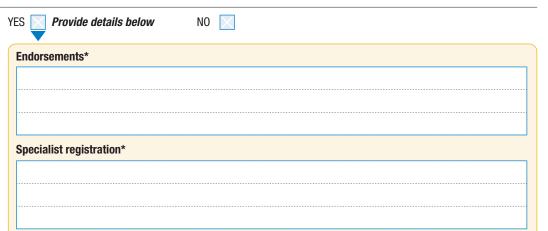


3. List the details of your recently expired registration under the National Law:

Expiry date of registration Registration number

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4. Did you hold an endorsement or specialist registration prior to recent expiry, and require this to be re-instated?



Have you practised the profession in Australia since 1 November 2023? YES Last date that you practised
NO DD / MM / YYYYY

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SECTION B: Contact information

6.	What	are	your	contact	details?
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Provide your current contact details below – place an 🗶	next to your preferred contact phone number.
Business hours	Mobile
After hours	
Email	

7. What is your residential address?



If you are not currently practising, or are not practising the profession predominantly at one address:

- your residential address will be recognised as your principal place of practice, and
- the information items marked with an asterisk (*) will appear on the public register as your principal place of practice.

Refer to the question below for the definition of principal place of practice.

Residential address **cannot** be a PO Box.

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8. Is the address of your principal place of practice the same as your residential address?



Principal place of practice for a registered health practitioner is:

- the address at which you predominantly practise the profession, or
- your principal place of residence, if you are not practising the profession or are not practising the profession predominantly at one address.

Principal place of practice **cannot** be a PO Box.

The information items marked with an asterisk (*) will appear on the public register.

YES 🔀	NO Provide yo	our Australian principal place of practice	e below
Site/Building and/or position	n/department (if applicable)		
Address (e.g. 123 JAMES AV	ENUE; or UNIT 1A, 30 JAMES ST	REET)	
City/Suburb/Town*			
State/Territory* (e.g. VIC, AC	T)	Postcode*	
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9. What is your mailing address?

A	Your mailing address is used for postal correspondence.
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My principal place of practice

	Other (Provide your mailing address below)
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SECTION C: Suitability statements



Information required by the Board to assess your suitability for registration is detailed in the following questions. It is recommended that you provide as much information as possible to enable the Board to reach a timely and informed decision.

Please note that registration is dependent on suitability as defined in the National Law, and the requirements set out in the Board's registration standards. Refer to www.medicalboard.gov.au/Registration-Standards for further information.

10. Since your last declaration to Ahpra, has there been any change to your criminal history in Australia that you have not declared to Ahpra?



It is important that you have a clear understanding of the definition of criminal history. For more information, see Criminal history in the Information and definitions section of this form





NO **Go to the next question**



You must attach:

- a signed and dated written statement with details of any change to your criminal history in Australia and an explanation of the circumstances, and
- supply proof of your identity.

You do not have to provide your Australian criminal history report. We will obtain this for you. In order for a nationally coordinated criminal history check to be conducted by Ahpra and the Board for the purpose of assessing this application for registration, you must supply certified copies of your proof of identity documents as outlined below. You must only use each document once and the documents provided must meet the following criteria:

- At **least one** document must be in the applicant's current name.
- Your category B document **must** have a recent photo.
- All documents must be officially translated into English. Please refer to Translating documents at www.ahpra.gov.au/translate for further information.
- If using your passport, a certified copy of the identity information page (the photo page) must be provided.
- All documents must be true certified copies of the original. See *Certifying documents* in the Information and definitions section of this form for more information.

Documents	Category used:	Documents	Category A B	used C		
Australian birth or adoption certificate	× NA ×	Australian financial institution account	NA NA	X		
Australian visa (Foreign passport must	NA (V	Australian Medicare card	NA NA	X		
be selected as evidence for Category B)	NA X	Australian PAYG payment summary	NA NA	X		
ImmiCard	× NA ×	Australian motor vehicle registration	NA NA	×		
Australian citizenship certificate	× NA ×	Australian Taxation Assessment Notice	NA NA	×		
Australian passport	\times \times	Australian insurance policy	NA NA	×		
Australian motor vehicle licence	NA 🔀	Australian pension/healthcare card	NA NA	>		
Foreign passport	NA 🔀	Category D documents				
Australian Working with Children/ Vulnerable People Card	NA 🔀	quired if your ovide evidence				
Australian firearms or shooter's licence	NA 🔀	of your residential address.				
Australian student ID card	NA 🔀	I have used a Category B or C documen	t that has			
Intl. or foreign motor vehicle licence	NA 🔀	my current residential address				
Australian proof of age card	NA 🔀	Australian rate notice		×		
Australian government benefits	NA NA 🔀	Current Australian lease or tenancy agre	ement	×		
Australian academic transcript	NA NA	Australian utility account		×		
Australian registration certificate	NA NA	Australian electoral enrolment card		×		

indicated above.

11. Since your last declaration to Ahpra, has there been any change to your criminal history in one or more countries other than Australia that you have not declared to Ahpra?



For more information, see *Criminal history* in the *Information and definitions* section of this form.

If you answer Yes to this question, you are required to obtain an international criminal history check (ICHC) from an approved vendor, who will provide a check reference number and ICHC reference page. For a list of approved vendors and further information about international criminal history checks, refer to www.ahpra.gov.au/ internationalcriminalhistory.

NO **Go to the next question**

YES X

You are required to:

- obtain an international criminal history check from an approved vendor for each country and provide details below, and
- provide details of the change in your criminal history in a signed and dated written statement.

Country	Check reference number
You must attach a separate sheet if the list of overseas countries reference number does not fit in the space provided.	and corresponding check
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You must attach a signed and dated written statement with detail criminal history in each of the countries listed and an explanation	, , ,

12. During your preceding period of registration, have you practised the profession in Australia in accordance with the requirements of the Board's *Professional indemnity insurance arrangements registration standard*?



For more information, see Professional indemnity insurance in the Information and definitions section of this form. Provide details of your circumstances below

You must attach a separate sheet with additional details that do not fit in the space provided.

13. If your registration is granted, do you commit to practise the profession in Australia in accordance with the requirements of the Board's Professional indemnity insurance arrangements registration standard?



For more information, see *Professional indemnity insurance* in the *Information and definitions* section of this form.

Provide details of your circumstances below



You **must** attach a separate sheet with additional details that do not fit in the space provided.

14. Do you meet the Board's recency of practice requirements?



For more information, see *Recency of practice* in the *Information and definitions* section of this form.

YES 🔀	NO 📉

Provide details of why the recency of practice requirements have not been met

N₀



You **must** attach a separate sheet with additional details that do not fit in the space provided.

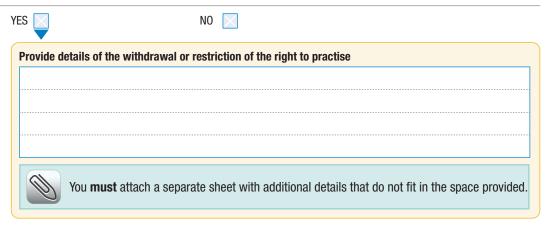
15. During your preceding period of registration, have you met the Board's continuing professional development (CPD) requirements?



For more information, see *Continuing professional development* in the *Information and definitions* section of this form.

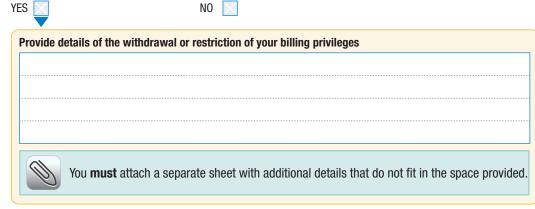
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Provide details of a	ny CPD you have undertaken an	d why the CPD requirements have not been met

16. During your preceding period of registration, has your right to practise at a hospital or another facility at which health services are provided been withdrawn or restricted because of your conduct, professional performance or health?



You **must** attach a separate sheet with additional details that do not fit in the space provided.

17. During your preceding period of registration, have your billing privileges been withdrawn or restricted under the *Medicare Australia Act 1973* (Cth), or restrictions placed on your prescribing right under the *National Health Act 1953* because of your conduct, professional performance or health?



- 18. Have you previously disclosed to Ahpra all known complaints made about you to:
 - · a registration authority, or
 - another entity having functions relating to professional services provided by health practitioners or the regulation of health practitioners (in Australia or elsewhere)?



'Complaints' refers to matters other than those made since 1 July 2010, under the National Law and already reported to Ahpra. If you are not aware of any complaints made about you please select N/A.

N/A I am not aware of any complaints

YES I have already disclosed all known complaints

NO I need to declare one or more complaints



Attach details of all known complaints made about you since you last renewed your registration. Please include details about to whom the complaint was made and when the complaint was made.

19. Do you perform exposureprone procedures when practising?



Exposure prone procedures (EPPs) are procedures where there is a risk of injury to the healthcare worker resulting in exposure of the patient's open tissues to the blood of the healthcare worker. These procedures include those where the healthcare worker's hands (whether gloved or not) may be in contact with sharp instruments, needle tips or sharp tissues (spicules of bone or teeth) inside a patient's open body cavity, wound or confined anatomical space where the hands or fingertips may not be completely visible at all times.

The CDNA has developed guidance on exposure-prone procedures in *Guidance on classification of exposure* prone and non-exposure prone procedures in Australia 2017 available online at

https://www.health.gov.au/resources/collections/cdna-national-guidelines-for-healthcare-workers-on-managing-bloodborne-viruses?language=en

You can seek additional information about whether you perform exposure-prone procedures from your relevant organisation in $Appendix\ 2$ of the national guidelines.

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20. During the preceding period This includes testing for HIV, Hepatitis C and Hepatitis B at least once every three years. Testing for Hepatitis B is not necessary if you have demonstrated immunity to HBV through vaccination or resolved infection. of registration, did you For more information, see the *Information and definitions* section of this form. comply with the Australian National Guidelines for the Go to the next question N₀ management of healthcare workers living with blood Provide detailed reason(s) below for why you did not comply with the guidelines borne viruses and healthcare workers who perform exposure prone procedures at risk of exposure to blood borne viruses? You **must** attach a separate sheet with additional details that do not fit in the space provided. 21. If your registration is granted, do you commit to

comply with the Australian National Guidelines for the management of healthcare workers living with blood borne viruses and healthcare workers who perform exposure prone procedures at risk of exposure to blood borne viruses?

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22. Do you have an impairment that detrimentally affects, or is likely to detrimentally affect, your capacity to practise the profession?



For more information, see *Impairment* in the *Information and definitions* section of this form.







You **must** attach to this application details of any impairments and how they are managed.

23. Is your registration in any profession currently suspended or cancelled in **Australia (under the National** Law or a corresponding prior Act) or overseas?









You **must** attach to this application details of any registration suspension or cancellation.

24. Have you previously had your registration cancelled, refused or suspended in Australia (under the National Law or a corresponding prior Act) or overseas?









You **must** attach to this application details of any cancellation, refusal or suspension.

25. Has your registration ever been subject to conditions, undertakings or limitations in **Australia (under the National** Law or a corresponding prior Act) or overseas?









You **must** attach to this application details of any conditions, undertakings or limitations.

26. Are you disqualified from applying for registration, or being registered, in any profession in Australia (under the National Law, a corresponding prior Act or a law of a co-regulatory jurisdiction), or overseas?



Co-regulatory jurisdiction means a participating jurisdiction (of the National Law) in which the Act applying (the National Law) declares that the jurisdiction is not participating in the health, performance and conduct process provided by Divisions 3 to 12 of Part 8 (of the National Law).









You **must** attach to this application details of any disqualifications.

27. Have you been, or are you currently, the subject of conduct, performance or health proceedings whilst registered under the National Law, a corresponding prior Act, or the law of another jurisdiction in Australia or overseas, where those proceedings were not finalised?







You must attach to this application details of any conduct, performance or health proceedings.

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SECTION D: Obligations and consent



Before you sign and date this form, make sure that you have answered all of the relevant questions correctly and read the statements below. An incomplete form may delay processing and you may be asked to complete a new form. For more information, see the *Information and definitions* section of this form.

Obligations of registered health practitioners

The National Law pt 7 div 11 sub-div 3 establishes the legislative obligations of registered health practitioners. A contravention of these obligations, as detailed at points 1, 2, 4, 5, 6 or 8 below does not constitute an offence but may constitute behaviour for which health, conduct or performance action may be taken by the Board. Registered health practitioners are also obligated to meet the requirements of their Board as established in registration standards, codes and guidelines.

Continuing professional development

 A registered health practitioner must undertake the continuing professional development required by an approved registration standard for the health profession in which the practitioner is registered.

Professional indemnity insurance arrangements

- A registered health practitioner must not practise the health profession in which the practitioner is registered unless appropriate professional indemnity insurance arrangements are in force in relation to the practitioner's practice of the profession.
- A National Board may, at any time by written notice, require a registered health practitioner registered by the Board to give the Board evidence of the appropriate professional indemnity insurance arrangements that are in force in relation to the practitioner's practice of the profession.
- A registered health practitioner must not, without reasonable excuse, fail to comply with a written notice given to the practitioner under point 3 above.

Notice of certain events

- A registered health practitioner must, within 7 days after becoming aware that a relevant event has occurred in relation to the practitioner, give the National Board that registered the practitioner written notice of the event. Relevant event means-
 - a) the practitioner is charged, whether in a participating jurisdiction or elsewhere, with an offence punishable by 12 months imprisonment or more; or
 - the practitioner is convicted of or the subject of a finding of guilt for an offence, whether in a participating jurisdiction or elsewhere, punishable by imprisonment; or
 - appropriate professional indemnity insurance arrangements are no longer in place in relation to the practitioner's practice of the profession; or
 - the practitioner's right to practise at a hospital or another facility at which health services are provided is withdrawn or restricted because of the practitioner's conduct, professional performance or health; or
 - the practitioner's billing privileges are withdrawn or restricted under the *Human Services (Medicare) Act 1973* (Cth) because of the practitioner's conduct, professional performance or health; or
 - f) the practitioner's authority under a law of a State or Territory to administer, obtain, possess, prescribe, sell, supply or use a scheduled medicine or class of scheduled medicines is cancelled or restricted; or
 - g) a complaint is made about the practitioner to the following entities—
 - (i) the chief executive officer under the Human Services (Medicare) Act 1973 (Cth);
 - (ii) an entity performing functions under the Health Insurance Act 1973 (Cth);
 - (iii) the Secretary within the meaning of the National Health Act 1953 (Cth);
 - (iv) the Secretary to the Department in which the Migration Act 1958 (Cth) is administered;
 - (v) another Commonwealth, State or Territory entity having functions relating to professional services provided by health practitioners or the regulation of health practitioners.
 - h) the practitioner's registration under the law of another country that provides for the registration of health practitioners is suspended or cancelled or made subject to a condition or another restriction.

Change in principal place of practice, address or name

- A registered health practitioner must, within 30 days of any of the following changes happening, give the National Board that registered the practitioner written notice of the change and any evidence providing proof of the change required by the Board
 - a) a change in the practitioner's principal place of practice;
 - a change in the address provided by the registered health practitioner as the address the Board should use in corresponding with the practitioner;
 - c) a change in the practitioner's name.

Employer's details

- A National Board may, at any time by written notice given to a health practitioner registered by the Board, ask the practitioner to give the Board the following information
 - a) information about whether the practitioner is employed by another entity;
 - b) if the practitioner is employed by another entity—
 - (i) the name of the practitioner's employer; and
 - (ii) the address and other contact details of the practitioner's employer.
- 8. The registered health practitioner must not, without reasonable excuse, fail to comply with the notice.

Consent to nationally coordinated criminal history check

I authorise Ahpra and the Board to carry out a nationally coordinated criminal history check for the purpose of assessing this application.
I acknowledge that:

- a complete criminal history, including resolved and unresolved charges, spent convictions, and findings of guilt for which no conviction was recorded, will be released to Ahpra and the Board.
- my personal information will be extracted from this form and provided to the Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission (ACIC) and Australian police agencies for the purpose of conducting a nationally coordinated criminal history check, including all names under which I am or have been known
- my personal information may be used by police for general law enforcement purposes, including those purposes set out in the Australian Crime Commission Act 2002 (Cth),
- my identity information provided with this application will be enrolled with Ahpra to allow for any subsequent criminal history checks during my period of registration
- if and when this application for registration is granted, Ahpra may check my criminal
 history at any time during my period of registration as required by
 the Board for the purpose of assessing my suitability to hold health practitioner
 registration; or in response to a Notice of Certain Events; or an application for
 Removal of Reprimand from the National Register,
- I may dispute the result of the nationally coordinated criminal history check by contacting Ahpra in the first instance.

Consent

I consent to the Board and Ahpra making enquiries of, and exchanging information with, the authorities of any Australian state or territory, or other country, regarding my practice as a health practitioner or otherwise regarding matters relevant to this application. I acknowledge that:

- the Board may validate documents provided in support of this application as evidence of my identity
- failure to complete all relevant sections of this application and to enclose all supporting documentation may result in this application not being accepted
- notices required under the National Law and other correspondence relating to my application and registration (if granted) will be sent electronically to me via my nominated email address, and
- Ahpra uses overseas cloud service providers to hold, process and maintain personal
 information where this is reasonably necessary to enable Ahpra to perform its
 functions under the National Law. These providers include Salesforce, whose
 operations are located in Japan and the United States of America.

I undertake to comply with all relevant legislation and Board registration standards, codes and guidelines.

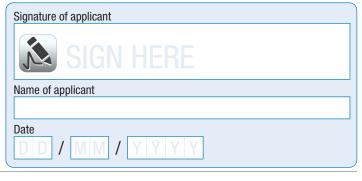
I understand that personal information that I provide may be given to a third party for regulatory purposes, as authorised or required by the National Law. I understand Ahpra may:

- disclose the date my registration is to commence and future registration details; and
- verify the accuracy of my registration details including my date of birth and address
 to entities (such as prospective employers) who disclose that information to Ahpra
 for the purpose of confirming my identity.

Ahpra will only do this where the entity seeking the information or verification has given a legal undertaking they have obtained my consent to these disclosures and this verification.

I confirm that I have read the privacy and confidentiality statement for this form. I declare that:

- the above statements, and the documents provided in support of this application, are true and correct, and
- I am the person named in this application and in the documents provided. I make this declaration in the knowledge that a false statement is grounds for the Board to refuse registration.



SECTION E: Payment

You are required to pay both an application fee and a registration fee.

Use the table below to select your registration fee. Your registration fee depends on your principal place of practice, as applicants whose principal place of practice is New South Wales are entitled to a rebate from the NSW Government.



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Registration period

The annual registration period for the medical profession is from 1 October to 30 September.

Refund rules

The application fee is non-refundable. The registration fee will be refunded if the application is not approved.

28. Please complete the credit/debit card payment slip below.

Credit/Debit card payment slip – please fill out	
Amount payable \$ Visa or Mastercard number Expiry date M	Name on card Cardholder's signature SIGN HERE



SECTION F: Checklist

Have the following items been attached or arranged, if required?

Additional dod	cumentation	Attached
Question 1	Evidence of a change of name	\times
Question 10	A signed and dated written statement with details of any change to your criminal history in Australia and an explanation of the circumstances	\times
Question 10	Certified copies of all documents that provide sufficient evidence of your identity	X
Question 11	A separate sheet of overseas countries and corresponding ICHC reference number	X
Question 11	ICHC reference page provided by the approved vendor	\times
Question 11	A signed and dated written statement with details of any change to your criminal history overseas and an explanation of the circumstances	X
Question 12	A separate sheet with details of why you have not met PII requirements	X
Question 13	A separate sheet with details of why you do not commit to only practise the profession in Australia in accordance with the requirements of the Board's <i>Pll arrangements registration standard</i>	X
Question 14	A separate sheet with details of why the recency of practice requirements have not been met	\times
Question 15	A separate sheet with details of CPD you have undertaken and why the CPD requirements have not been met	\times
Question 16	A separate sheet with details of the withdrawal or restriction of the right to practise	X
Question 17	A separate sheet with details of the withdrawal or restriction of your billing privileges	×
Question 19	A separate sheet with support papers detailing any complaints made	×
Question 20	A separate sheet with details of why you did not comply with the guidelines	X
Question 22	A separate sheet with your impairment details	X
Question 23	A separate sheet with your current suspension or cancellation details	X
Question 24	A separate sheet with your previous cancellation, refusal or suspension details	\times
Question 25	A separate sheet with your conditions, undertakings or limitations details	X
Question 26	A separate sheet with your disqualification details	\times
Question 27	A separate sheet with your conduct, performance or health proceedings	\times
Payment		
	Application fee	\times
	Registration fee	\times

Please submit this form with payment and required attachments to:



The fastest way to submit this form and any supporting documents is online at **www.ahpra.gov.au/registration/online-upload**. If you wish to submit via mail, please post this form with payment and required attachments to:

Ahpra GPO Box 9958 IN YOUR CAPITAL CITY (refer below)

You may contact Ahpra on 1300 419 495 or you can lodge an enquiry at **www.ahpra.gov.au**

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Information and definitions

AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL GUIDELINES FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF HEALTHCARE WORKERS LIVING WITH BLOOD BORNE VIRUSES AND HEALTHCARE WORKERS WHO PERFORM EXPOSURE PRONE PROCEDURES AT RISK OF EXPOSURE TO BLOOD BORNE VIRUSES

The Communicable Diseases Network Australia (CDNA) has published these guidelines. The following is a summary of the requirements in the CDNA guidelines:

Healthcare workers who perform exposure prone procedures (EPPs) must take reasonable steps to know their blood-borne virus (BBV) status and should be tested for BBVs at least once every three years. They are also expected to:

- have appropriate and timely testing and follow up care after a potential occupational exposure associated with a risk of BBV acquisition
- have appropriate testing and follow up care after potential nonoccupational exposure, with testing frequency related to risk factors for virus acquisition
- cease performing all EPPs if diagnosed with a BBV until the criteria in the guidelines are met, and
- confirm that they comply with these guidelines when applying for renewal
 of registration if requested by their board.

Practitioners who are living with a blood-borne virus and who perform exposureprone procedures have additional requirements. They are expected to:

- · be under the ongoing care of a treating doctor with relevant expertise
- comply with prescribed treatment
- · have ongoing viral load monitoring at the appointed times
- not perform EPPs if particular viral load or viral clearance criteria are not met (see detailed information in the guidelines according to the specific BBV)
- seek advice regarding any change in health condition that may affect their fitness to practise or impair their health
- · release monitoring information to the treating doctor
- if required, release de-identified information to the relevant area of the jurisdictional health department/Expert Advisory Committee, and
- if required, release health monitoring information to a designated person in their workplace in the event of a potential exposure incident to assess the requirement for further public health action.

Additional information can be found in the CDNA Australian National Guidelines for the Management of Healthcare Workers Living with Blood Borne Viruses Who Perform Exposure Prone Procedures at Risk of Exposure to Blood Borne Viruses available online at https://www.health.gov.au/resources/collections/cdna-national-guidelines-for-healthcare-workers-on-managing-bloodborne-viruses?language=en

CERTIFYING DOCUMENTS

DO NOT send original documents unless specified.

Copies of documents provided in support of an application, or other purpose required by the National Law, must be certified as true copies of the original documents. Each and every certified document **must**:

 be in English. If original documents are not in English, you must provide a certified copy of the original document and translation in accordance with Ahpra guidelines, which are available at

www.ahpra.gov.au/registration/registration-process

- be initialled on every page by the authorised officer. For a list of people authorised to certify documents, visit www.ahpra.gov.au/certify
- be annotated on the last page as appropriate e.g. 'I have sighted the
 original document and certify this to be a true copy of the original' and
 signed by the authorised officer, and
- list the name, date of certification, and contact phone number, and position number (if relevant) and have the stamp or seal of the authorised officer (if relevant) applied.

Certified copies will only be accepted in hard copy by mail or in person (not by fax, email, etc). Photocopies of previously certified documents will not be accepted. Any documents containing a photograph must be annotated with the statement 'I certify that this is a true copy of the original and the photograph is a true likeness of the person presenting the document as sighted by me.'

For more information, Ahpra's guidelines for certifying documents can be found online at www.ahpra.gov.au/certify

CHANGE OF NAME

You must provide evidence of a change of name if you have ever been formally known by another name(s) or any of the documentation you are providing in support of your application is in another name(s).

Evidence must be a certified copy of one of the following documents:

- Standard marriage certificate (ceremonial certificates will not be accepted).
- Deed poll.
- · Change of name certificate.

Faxed, scanned or emailed copies of certified documents will not be accepted.

CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT (CPD)

You must participate regularly in continuing professional development (CPD) relevant to your scope of practice.

CPD must include a range of activities to meet your individual learning needs, including practice-based reflective elements, such as clinical audit, peer-review or performance appraisal, as well as participation in activities to enhance knowledge such as courses, conferences and online learning. CPD programs of medical colleges accredited by the Australian Medical Council meet these requirements. Refer to the Board's *Continuing professional development registration standard* for details of the requirements which relate to your situation.

For more information, view the full registration standard online at www.medicalboard.gov.au/Registration-Standards

CRIMINAL HISTORY

Criminal history includes the following, whether in Australia or overseas, at any time:

- every conviction of a person for an offence
- every plea of guilty or finding of guilt by a court of the person for an offence, whether or not a conviction is recorded for the offence, and
- every charge made against the person for an offence.

Under the National Law, spent convictions legislation does not apply to criminal history disclosure requirements. Therefore, you must disclose your complete criminal history as detailed above, irrespective of the time that has lapsed since the charge was laid or the finding of guilt was made. The Board will decide whether your criminal history is relevant to the practice of your profession. You are not required to obtain or provide your Australian criminal history report, Ahpra will obtain this check on your behalf. But if you have not given us certified proof of identity documents since October 2019, you will need to do this first.

Any document containing a photograph must be annotated with the statement 'I certify that this a true copy of the original and the photograph is a true likeness of the person presenting the document as sighted by me.'

You may be required to obtain international criminal history reports.

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and the requirements for supplying proof of identity and certified documents at www.ahpra.gov.au/Registration/Registration-Process/Proof-of-Identity and www.ahpra.gov.au/Registration/Registration-Process/Certifying-Documents

IMPAIRMENT

Impairment means a physical or mental impairment, disability, condition, or disorder (including substance abuse or dependence) that detrimentally affects or is likely to detrimentally affect your capacity to practise the profession. The National Law requires you to declare any such impairments at the time of renewal, including details of the impairment and how it is managed.

PRACTICE

Practice means any role, whether remunerated or not, in which you use your skills and knowledge as a health practitioner in your profession. Practice is not restricted to the provision of direct clinical care. It also includes using professional knowledge in a direct non-clinical relationship with clients, working in management, administration, education, research, advisory, regulatory or policy development roles and any other roles that impact on safe, effective delivery of services in the profession.

PROFESSIONAL INDEMNITY INSURANCE (PII)

You must have PII, or some alternative form of indemnity cover that complies with the Board's standard, for all aspects of your medical practice. Initial registration and annual renewal of registration requires a declaration that you will be covered for all aspects of practice for the whole period of the registration. You may be covered by your Australian employer's PII - you will need to confirm this with your employer. Medical practitioners are exempt from requiring PII, where the scope of medical practice of an individual medical practitioner does not include the provision of health care or medical opinion in respect of the physical or mental health of any person or where a medical practitioner has statutory exemption from liability or where a medical practitioner is practising exclusively overseas.

For more information, view the full registration standard online at www.medicalboard.gov.au/Registration-Standards

RECENCY OF PRACTICE

To ensure that you can practise competently and safely, you must have recent practice in the field in which you intend to work during the period of registration for which you are applying.

To meet the standard, you must have practised within your scope of practice for a minimum total of:

- four weeks full-time equivalent in one year, which is a total of 152 hours, or
- 12 weeks full-time equivalent over three consecutive years, which is a total of 456 hours.

If you have been absent from practice, the specific requirements depend on the field of practice, your level of experience and the length of absence from the field.

If you propose to change your field of practice, the Board will consider whether your peers would view the change as a normal extension or variation in a field of practice, or a change that would require specific training and demonstration of competence.

Practitioners who are unable to meet the Board's registration standard for recency of practice may be required to complete professional development activities, submit a plan for re-entry to practice or other training or assessments.

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