

Ahpra Board communiqué

December 2022

The <u>Ahpra Board</u> met on Tuesday 13 December 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:

- an update on the work of the Expert Advisory Group to identify and minimise the risk of suicide in practitioners subject to regulatory action
- appointment of the independent reviewer for the National Cabinet review of regulatory processes and standards
- National Board action to support the delivery of the Transformation Program
- his attendance at the recent WHO Collaborating meeting in Cambodia.

The Board also received a presentation on the activities of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Strategy Unit and discussed the Board's skills and competencies matrix.

Business items

In other agenda items the Ahpra Board:

- approved the recommendations from the review of the Equity framework
- approved funding for the build stage of the Transformation Program
- approved appointment of a jurisdictional representative to the Accreditation Committee
- noted the annual reports of the Regulatory Performance and Accreditation Committees
- reviewed the charters of the Board and its committees
- · noted an update on cosmetic surgery
- noted the effectiveness review for the Accreditation Committee
- noted the update on the Workforce Strategy and National Cabinet submission.

The next business meeting of the Ahpra Board is scheduled for 14 February 2023.