

Communiqué

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The Pharmacy Board of Australia met on 29 April 2011 at the national office of the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA) in Melbourne.

Registration

The Board Chair met with Executive staff of the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency to discuss initiatives for streamlining pharmacists' registration. The meeting provided an opportunity to address issues and to identify possible ways of improving registration processes. These will be further developed over coming months for possible implementation and include proposals for graduates seeking provisional registration, interns seeking initial general registration and renewal of registration.

Guidelines on practice-specific issues –Guideline 1 (List of References)

The Board reminds stakeholders that the closing date for submissions on the consultation paper on changes to the list of references in Guideline 1 of the Board's 'Guidelines on practice specific issues' is Friday 27 May 2011. Stakeholders are invited to make a submission on the proposals outlined in the consultation paper which is published on the Board's website (www.pharmacyboard.gov.au/News/Current-Consultations.aspx).

Compounding Working Party

The Board's Compounding Working Party met to discuss a proposal to develop a guideline on compounding. The working party will conduct a review of legislation, standards and relevant information in the initial stages of its project.

Stephen Marty Chair 11 May 2011