

Statement

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New policy: Application of the English language skills registration standard

The Pharmacy Board of Australia (the Board) today published on its website a new policy on the application of the English Language Skills Registration Standard.

The English language skills registration standard was implemented by the Board on 1 July 2010. The new policy offers practitioners guidance on its application and clarifies how exemptions (including two new exemptions) to the standard are to be applied.

The additional exemptions outlined in the policy relate to:

- exemption based on location of secondary and tertiary education, and
- exemption to the requirement to provide a current test result for applicants who continuously participated in a Board approved program of study provided that specified additional requirements have been met.

The exemptions are further explained in the policy which is available at www.pharmacyboard.gov.au/Registration-Standards.aspx.

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