

Authority

This standard has been approved by the Australian Health Workforce Ministerial Council on 31 March 2010 pursuant to the *Health Practitioner Regulation National Law (2009)* (the National Law) with approval taking effect from 1 July 2010.

Summary

The Board requires that, pursuant to clause 52(1)(b)(ii) of the National Law, an individual applying for initial general registration must undertake an examination determined by the Board.

Scope of application

To assess an individual's ability to competently and safely practise as a pharmacist, an examination conducted by or on behalf of the Board must be successfully completed by each individual applying for initial general registration except those individuals entitled to registration pursuant to the *Trans-Tasman Mutual Recognition Act 1997*.

Requirements

1. The examination may consist of two or more parts being:
 - a) a written examination or examinations
 - b) an oral examination or examinations.
2. The written examination or examinations will be conducted by or on behalf of the Board in accordance with policies published by the Board.
3. The oral examination or examinations will be conducted by or on behalf of the Board in accordance with policies published by the Board.
4. The written and oral examinations will be conducted in accordance with eligibility criteria contained in policies published by the Board.

Definitions

Eligibility criteria are rules to indicate when an applicant may sit the written and oral examinations.

References

The Board will publish policies to assist applicants in understanding the eligibility criteria and the rules for conduct of the written and oral examinations for general registration.

Review

This standard will commence on 1 July 2010. The Board will review this standard at least every three years.