



Media release

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Board and AHPRA publish health profession agreement

The Medical Board of Australia (the Board) and the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA) have published their [health profession agreement](#) (HPA) for 2015/16.

The HPA sets out the services AHPRA will provide the Board, so it can carry out its functions, in partnership with AHPRA.

The Board and AHPRA work together to implement the National Registration and Accreditation Scheme, (National Scheme), which regulates health practitioners in Australia in the public interest.

AHPRA CEO, Martin Fletcher, said that the National Boards and AHPRA are committed to working together to manage risk to patients, and ensure transparency and accountability in financial reporting.

'The guiding principles of the National Law¹ require us to be transparent, accountable, efficient, effective and fair,' Mr Fletcher said.

'Publishing the HPA is one of the ways we can show how we are doing that in all our work,' he said.

Medical Board of Australia Chair, Dr Joanna Flynn AM, said the profession and the community had a right to know more about the Board's priorities and the services AHPRA had committed to providing.

'Our decisions are governed by our [regulatory principles](#), and our priorities are set to help us protect the public through effective regulation,' Dr Flynn said.

'The HPA shows how we are using the registration fees of medical practitioners to do this,' she said.

The 2015/16 Medical Board of Australia and AHPRA Health Profession Agreement is available on the [Health Profession Agreements](#) page.

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¹ Health Practitioner Regulation National Law (National Law), as in force in each state and territory.