

VIC presentations about National Registration for Occupational Therapists

What you need to know

Background

From 1 July 2012 the National Registration and Accreditation Scheme (the National Scheme) will be in place for the profession of occupational therapy.

What does this mean?

Anyone working under the title of occupational therapist (OT) must be registered from 1 July 2012. To be entitled to practise as an OT in any state or territory in Australia from 1 July 2012 you must be registered with the Occupational Therapy Board of Australia (the National Board) via AHPRA.

What do you need to do?

To learn more about the National Scheme and the registration standards (i.e. CPD, Criminal History, English Language Skills, Professional Indemnity Insurance Arrangements and Recency of Practice) and to ask questions, the following presentations have been scheduled in February to visit metro and regional sites throughout Victoria. Visits to NSW are also available; see the National Board's website.

The currently unregistered jurisdictions of ACT, NSW, TAS and VIC are the initial priorities.

Practitioners who are not currently registered with a state or territory OT board are encouraged to **apply for registration by 30 March** 2012. Application forms will be available from February via the National Board's website www.occupationaltherapyboard.gov.au. An application fee and a registration fee will apply. Practitioners who are currently registered (i.e. in SA, WA, NT, QLD) will automatically transition into the scheme.

All Welcome

The information on the National Scheme will be provided by the National Board and AHPRA.

All OT practitioners (public/private), colleagues, managers etc are most welcome. Feel free to pass this information on. To assist with venue arrangements please RSVP to a venue contact, as listed below.

Further Information

Further information on the National Scheme and the work of the National Board is available at: www.occupationaltherapyboard.gov.au.

For any questions on the National Scheme, please call AHPRA on 1300 419 495 or log an enquiry via AHPRA's website www.ahpra.gov.au/about-ahpra/contact-us/make-an-enquiry.aspx.

To receive email updates from the National Board, register your contact details via the Board's website: www.occupationaltherapyboard.gov.au/.

MONDAY 16 JANUARY			
Presenter	Time	Venue	RSVP
Board reps, AHPRA	1530 - 1700	Southern Health Monash Medical Centre, Lecture theatre 2 246 Clayton Road, Clayton	Event completed, registrations closed, thank you to those who were able to attend.

WEDNESDAY 22 FEBRUARY			
Presenter	Time	Venue	RSVP
Board reps, AHPRA	1200 – 1330	St Vincent's Health Inpatient's Building Services Theatre, Ground Floor Victoria Parade, Fitzroy	Venue is full for this date/time. Another presentation can be scheduled pending venue and practitioner numbers. Contact otboardconsultation@ahpra.gov.au if you can coordinate
Board reps, AHPRA	1530 – 1700	Wantirna Hospital (Eastern Health) 251 Mountain Highway, Wantirna	Venue is full for this date/time. An additional presentation is now scheduled for Eastern Health on Thurs 23 Feb from 0900 – 1100 (see details below)

THURSDAY 23 FEBRUARY			
Presenter	Time	Venue	RSVP
Board reps, AHPRA	0800 - 0930	Barwon Health (Geelong) Kitchner House (opposite the Hospital) Teaching, Training and Research Building, Lecture theatre 229 Ryrie St, Geelong	jodi@barwonhealth.org.au
Board reps, AHPRA	1230 - 1400	Ballarat Base Hospital Baxter Lecture Theatre, Education Resource Centre Drummond Street North Ballarat	michelep@bhs.org.au Videoconferencing options available, contact Michele in RSVP above for further information

FRIDAY 24 FEBRUARY			
Presenter	Time	Venue	RSVP
Board reps, AHPRA	0900 - 1030	Bendigo Uni Circular Lecture Theatre, Health Science Building Sharon Street, Bendigo	C.McKinstry@latrobe.edu.au Videoconferencing options available from Shepparton Campus (teaching room 4), Albury-Wodonga Campus (Room 4101), Mildura Campus (Brian Grogan Lecture Theatre)
Board reps, AHPRA	1500 – 1630	Northern Health Lecture Theatre, Education Centre 185 Cooper St, Epping	Nicole.gaskett@nh.org.au

THURSDAY 23 FEBRUARY			
Presenter	Time	Venue	RSVP
Board reps, AHPRA	0900 - 1100	Wantirna Hospital (Eastern Health) 251 Mountain Highway, Wantirna	Camilla.radia-george@easternhealth.org.au 0429 950 562
Board reps, AHPRA	1530 - 1700	La Trobe Regional Hospital Macalister conference and tutorial room Princes Highway, Traralgon	ntierney@lrh.com.au <i>Videoconferencing available to</i> Wonthaggi, Bass Coast Regional Health, Graham Street, Wonthaggi Allison.Olden@bcrh.com.au <i>Videoconferencing available to</i> Warragul Education Centre West Gippsland Healthcare Group Landsborough Street, Warragul sue.aberdeen@wghg.com.au

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Presenter	Time	Venue	RSVP
Board reps, AHPRA	0930 – 1100	Frankston Hospital Academic Centre, Room B, Hastings Road, Frankston	Venue is full (additional session scheduled below) <i>Videoconferencing available to Rosebud Hospital</i> Hillview Room 75 1527 Pt Nepean Road, Rosebud
Board reps, AHPRA	1130 - 1300	Frankston Hospital Academic Centre, Room B, Hastings Road, Frankston	dkitchin@phcn.vic.gov.au Dianne Kitchin

TUESDAY 28 FEBRUARY			
Presenter	Time	Venue	RSVP
Board reps, AHPRA	0800 - 0930	Western Health Auditorium - Level 1, Western Health Centre for Health Research and Education, Sunshine Hospital, Furlong Road, St Albans	helen.nelson@wh.org.au

WEDNESDAY 29 FEBRUARY			
Presenter	Time	Venue	RSVP
Board reps, AHPRA	1200 – 1330	Alfred Health Nursing Education Lecture Theatre, South Block Commercial Road, Prahran	j.morarty@alfred.org.au

THURSDAY 8 MARCH

Presenter	Time	Venue	RSVP
Board reps, AHPRA	1530 – 1700	Austin Health North Wing Lecture Theatre, Ground Floor, Heidelberg Repatriation Hospital	loretta.hanson@austin.org.au