

## Communiqué

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28 July 2015

The 45<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Chinese Medicine Board of Australia (the Board) was held on 15 July 2015 at the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency's (AHPRA) National Office in Melbourne, Victoria. This communiqué provides key decisions made at the meeting.

This communiqué is published on the Board's [website](#) and an announcement via email is sent to a broad range of stakeholders. Please forward the communiqué to colleagues who may be interested in the work of the Board.

### Consultation on health records guidelines

The Board will release a public consultation paper soon seeking feedback on proposed [revisions](#) to guidelines that have been in effect since 2012 when Chinese medicine practice became nationally regulated. The current guideline, which is titled *Patient record guidelines* is available under the [Codes and Guidelines](#) section of the Board's website. In addition, the Board published an explanatory statement in 2012 following the previous consultation.

Practitioners should note the name change for the revised guidelines. The *Patient record guidelines* are now due for a scheduled review after three years of implementation. The review coincides with the end of grandparenting arrangements (on 30 June 2015) under the Health Practitioner Regulation National Law, as in force in each state and territory (the National Law).

The public consultation paper will be published under the [News](#) section of the Board's website.

### Revised terms of reference for Accreditation Committee

The Board will soon publish revised terms of reference for its Accreditation Committee under the [Accreditation](#) section of its website.

### Updating contact details

To check or update the contact details you have lodged with AHPRA, access the online services panel for practitioners on the homepage of the Board's website and click *Update your contact details*. Enter your user ID, date of birth and password (please note that your user ID is not your registration number). If you don't remember your user ID or password, contact us [online](#) or phone 1300 419 495 for help.

### Follow @AHPRA on Twitter

AHPRA will be using [Twitter](#) to encourage a greater overall response to National Board consultations and to host regular Twitter chats on important topics.

### Important information for practitioners

The National Board publishes a range of information about registration, including its expectations of practitioners, at [www.chinesemedicineboard.gov.au](http://www.chinesemedicineboard.gov.au). For more details or help with questions about your registration please send an [online enquiry form](#) or contact AHPRA on 1300 419 495.

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