



Physiotherapists'

Registration Board of Western Australia

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Whilst this is the last newsletter from the Board, we hope the information below will assist with a smooth transition to the national registration scheme.

Importantly, please ensure your renewal payments are received by this office no later than 30 June 2010.

National registration means a physiotherapist can register once nationally and then practise anywhere in Australia. Under national registration, all physiotherapists, no matter where they practise, will be subject to the same standards, guidelines and policies issued by the Physiotherapy Board of Australia (PBA).

The national scheme is scheduled to commence on 1 July 2010.

It is of utmost importance, during the transition, physiotherapists avail themselves of all information available to ensure they comply with the PBA standards, guidelines and policies. Information is being updated constantly on the PBA's website at www.physiotherapyboard.gov.au.

All registered physiotherapists will transition automatically to the new national scheme, so it is **vital** you renew your registration before 30 June 2010.

Physiotherapists who fall off the West Australian Register for non-payment of fees will either:

- Need to apply for initial registration if the new national scheme has commenced, or
- Apply for restoration to the Register in accordance with the current Physiotherapists Act 2005.

The application process under the new national scheme (if you are removed for non-payment of fees) requires practitioners to comply with the new standards. This process could prevent practitioners from practising physiotherapy until the application is processed.

Fees and charges

The following fees have been approved by the Minister of Health, and apply for the renewal period 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011

Registration Fees (GST Exempt)

Application Fee	\$70.00
Registration Fee – July to June	\$130.00
Registration Fee - January to June	\$65.00
Restoration penalty	\$130.00

Administrative Fees (GST Exempt) to 30 June 2011:

Change of Particulars	\$20.00
Certificate of Good Standing	\$20.00
Additional Qualifications	\$20.00
Duplicate Receipt	\$20.00
Extract of entry in the Register	\$20.00

HOW TO MAKE PAYMENT

Payments may be effected via:

- Cheque Money Order BPay
- Credit card/EFTPOS (only available if paying in person at the office of the Board)
- Cash (only available if paying in person at the office of the Board. Please DO NOT mail cash)
- BPay payments may also be made using your credit card via internet banking.



If the customer number allocated on your form contains only four digits, please include a zero (0) before this number to facilitate the BPay option

Receipts

Your receipt is evidence of your registration status. Please keep it safe at all times. Copy receipts incur an administration fee of \$20, and only the most recent receipt can be provided to you.

The new national board has premises at 541 Hay Street in Subiaco. Further information can be found at its website www.ahpra.gov.au.

Website

Upon commencement of the national registration scheme, this Board's website will cease to exist and all future enquiries will be directed to the Physiotherapy Board of Australia website at www.physiotherapyboard.gov.au

The Physiotherapy Board of Australia comprises the following members:

Ms Alison Bell	Appointed as a practitioner member from South Australia
Mr Tim Benson	Appointed as a community member
Dr Susan Brady	Appointed as a community member
Ms Anne Deans	Appointed as a practitioner member from New South Wales
Dr Charles Flynn	Appointed as a practitioner member from Victoria
Mrs Kathryn Grudzinskas	Appointed as a practitioner member from Queensland
Mrs Elizabeth Kosmala	Appointed as a community member
Ms Joanne Muller	Appointed as a community member
Ms Karen Murphy	Appointed as a practitioner member from ACT
Mr Glenn Ruscoe	Appointed as Chair and practitioner member from Western Australia
Mr Paul Shinkfield	Appointed as a practitioner member from Tasmania
Ms Phillipa Tessmann	Appointed as a practitioner member from the Northern Territory

Prosecutions

In the past year, the Board has been successful in prosecuting:

- Mr Steve Garner - for advertising in contravention of section 86(c) of the Physiotherapists Act 2005. Mr Garner received a spent conviction, was fined \$100 with costs in the sum of \$60, totalling \$160.

Board Prizes

The Registration Board of WA has pleasure in announcing the recipients of the following prizes for 2009:

Notre Dame University:	Sabrina Goodall - B Physio
Curtin University:	Lisa Hatch - B Sc (Physio) Cody Gilham - M Physio

With the new national registration scheme, these are the final awards this Board is able to provide.

On behalf of all registered practitioners, this newsletter acknowledges the services of Mr Kim Bradbury as Registrar of the Physiotherapists' Registration Board of WA since 1980, and the 2009/2010 Board members for their time and dedication to the profession in the last 12 months to ensure not only that the high standards of the profession are maintained, but as smooth a transition as possible to the new scheme is facilitated:

Mr Glenn Ruscoe
Adj Assoc Prof Kim Gibson
Prof Tony Wright
Ms Gwen Parry

Dr Margaret Potter
Dr Shane Patman
Mr Tim Benson
Mr Michael Piu