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E Newsletter

APC applications

More than 150 chiropractors have now applied for their 2009/10 APC and had this document issued.

With two weeks to go before the start of the new APC year chiropractors are reminded of the need to have their new APC issued by 1 April 2009, and that Board policy requires ACC to be advised of a list of chiropractors who have not paid for a new APC by this date.

If you have not yet received your application form please note a replacement copy is available for downloading from the Board's website www.chiropracticboard.org.nz.

At the same time chiropractors are requested to ensure the Board has their current mailing address on file.

Board meeting - news

At its most recent meetings the Chiropractic Board has established a number of key new policies which will support the profession in coming years. These include:

- Changes to the Board's Registration Examinations to establish competence and safety as the basis for registration from overseas chiropractors wishing to practice in New Zealand. This approach varies from past examinations which focused on knowledge retention.

All chiropractic stakeholders will have the opportunity to comment on this initiative before changes are made to the existing system.

It is intended that the new examinations will be in place by August 2009.

- An update of the Board's Communication Plan to ensure that it's programmes and policies are recognised by a wider range of stakeholders including the Minister of Health, Ministry officials, Registered Chiropractors, professional bodies in New Zealand and Australia and the New Zealand public.
- Development of a Continuing Professional Development policy with focus on competence and safety. The Board will be seeking submissions on this programme later in the year.

In addition the Board resolved to address all outstanding competence and conduct cases as soon as possible, with a view to implementing a policy of having all new cases resolved within 6 months of receipt (unless there are unusual circumstances requiring particularly long lead times).

Board office – contact details

Please ensure we have your current mailing and email addresses.

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