

DISCIPLINE REGISTRATION INFORMATION (September 06)

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Discipline	Registration Body	Legislation	Electronic Registration Check	Registration Date	Type of Registration Specific = limited practice General = unlimited practice	Requirements for Registration			
						Qualifications	Hours of Practice	Indemnity Insurance	Continuing Professional Development
Dentists	Dental Practice Board of Victoria www.dentprac.vic.gov.au	Dental Practice Act 1999 (Vic) Health Professions Registration Act 2005 will come into operation on 1/7/07	Yes	31-Dec	General, specific and Student	Yes	No	Yes	Yes (Dentists - 40 hs)
GPs	Medical Practitioners Board of Victoria www.medicalboardvic.org.au	Medical Practice Act 1994(Vic)	Yes organisations need to apply for password	30-Sep	General , Provisional and Specific	Yes	No	Yes	No
Nurses	Nurses Board of Victoria www.nbv.org.au	Nurses Act 1993(Vic)	Yes	31-Dec	General	Yes	Yes - may be required to demonstrate recency of practice in last 5 yrs	No	No - monitor only
Pharmacist	Pharmacy Board of Victoria www.pharmacybd.vic.gov.au	Pharmacy Practice Act 2004 (Vic)	Yes	31-Dec	General, Student, Specific and non practising	Qualifications and preregistration clinical training	No	Yes	No (to be introduced in future)
Physiotherapy	Physiotherapy Registration Board of Victoria www.physioboard.vic.gov.au	Physiotherapy Registration Act 1998 (Vic),	Yes	31-Dec	General and specific	Yes (Separate endorsement for acupuncture available)	1000 hours per 5 yrs	Yes	No (to be introduced in future)
Podiatry	Podiatry Registration Board of Victoria www.podboardvic.vic.gov.au	Podiatrists Registration Act 1997 (Vic),	Yes	31-Dec	General and specific	Yes	No	Yes	No
Psychologists	Psychologists Registration Board of Victoria www.psychreg.vic.gov.au	Psychologists Registration Act 2000 (Vic)	Yes	31-Dec	Probationary and General and Specific	General - bachelors + honours + masters/2 years supervised practice and completion of probationary	Yes for probationary only	No	No

The following professions also require reistration but the details are not provided here:

- *Chinese Medicine Practitioners
- *Chiropractors
- *Medical Radiation Technologists
- *Optometrists
- *Osteopaths

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Allied Health Assistants	No specific association but may be part of Aust. Ass. for Exercise and Sport Science or Diversional Therapy Association of Victoria.							
Asthma Educator	Australian Asthma and Respiratory Educators Association www.psychreg.vic.gov.au	Registered Health Professionals working in or with an interest in Asthma / Respiratory Education		Must complete 10 CPD points annually to maintain membership	Reduced course fees for some courses	Membership Cost \$125		
Audiologists	Audiological Society of Australia Inc (ASA) www.audiology.asn.au	Master's of Audiology degree (or equivalent)	Certificate of Clinical Practice Program requires CPD and 6 hours/week		Insurers and health fund rebates require Certificate of Clinical Practice	Membership cost only (\$396 - full time)		
Case Managers	Case Management Society of Australia www.cmsa.org.au	Practitioners engaged in case management					National Standards of Practice for Case Management	
Cousellors and Psychotherapists	The Psychotherapy & Counselling Federation of Australia www.psychreg.vic.gov.au	Professional Development, 10 hrs/year of supervision. Membership with a PACFA member association, Indemnity Insurance		Professional Development - 15 hours per year		Membership Annual Fee \$110.00		
Dentists	Australian Dental Association www.adavb.com.au	Registration in Victoria		Compulsory through Dental Registration Board of 40 hours /2 years for Dentists			Australian Dental Council	National Infection Control Guidelines for Podiatrists (APC)
Diabetes Educator	Australian Diabetes Educators Association www.adea.com.au	Financial member of the ADAE completed accredited diabetes educator course or undertaken appropriate tertiary study.	Credentialed Diabetes Educator - current membership, recognised qualification and experiece and CPD- total of 150 points, every 3 years			Membership only \$121, accreditation \$55 plus membership		
Dietitians	Dietitians Association of Australian www.daa.asn.au	Recognised qualification	Accredited Practising Dietitian - 1 Year Provisional Program CPD and Mentoring followed by ongoing accreditation via - Accredited Practising Dietitian complete 30 hours of PD annually		Registration for Medicare enhanced primary care plan package and some health funds	Membership cost only (\$495- full time).		
Drug and Alcohol	No professional association but Anex researches and advocates for Needle and Syringe Programs							
Financial Counselling	Financial and Consumer Rights Council Victoria www.fcrc.org.au	Members agree to abide by the code of conduct as set out by the association.						

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GPs	Royal Australian College of General Practitioners www.racgp.org.au	Registration	Recognised General Practitioners requires 130 points in 3 years		Vocational Register by Medicare Australia. Recognised General Practitioners are eligible to use the content based consultation items listed in Group A1 of the Medicare Benefits Schedule	QICPD \$330 for non members. Free for Members (Full time membership = \$995)		
Health Promotion	Australian Health Promotion Association www.healthpromotion.org.au	open to any individual or organisation supportive of the objectives of the Association	Mentoring CD available					
Intake Worker	No Association							
Health Services Managers	Australian College of Health Service Executives www.achse.org.au	Health management experience or qualifications		25 hours of CPD per annum for those actively engaged in health management	Members can use CHE (Certified Health Executive) postnominals	Membership cost only \$275-330		
	Australian Institute of Management www.aim.com.au							
Nurses	Many organisations including Royal College of Nursing (RCN) www.rcna.org.au		RCN Members CPD 30 points/year.			RCN - Membership cost only (\$~300- full time)		
Occupational Therapy	OT Australia (National) www.ausot.com.au	Recognised Qualifications	AccOT program of CPD by points			Member of state association(27.50 initial application and \$110 renewal/2yrs), non member (\$88 initial application and \$180 renewal/2yrs)	OT Australia - Australian Competency Standards for Entry-Level Occupational Therapists, Australian Competency Standards for Occupational Therapists in Mental Health	
Pharmacist	Pharmaceutical Society of Australia www.psa.org.au	Registration in Victoria	Voluntary log of CPD for members	Pharmacy Board 2007 end of year renewal introduces expectations to participate in PD			Council of Pharmacy Registering Authorities (COPRA) and professional Associations	Pharmacy Practice Act 2004 www.psa.org.au
Pharmacist	Society of Hospital Pharmacists www.shpa.org.au	Registration in Victoria or associate membership for those who work in pharmacies	Professional Development Scheme - 30 hours/yr					

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Physiotherapy	Australian Physiotherapy Association (National) www.apa.advsol.com.au			Compulsory for APA members to accrue 100 CPD points in 3 year period (madom audit		N/A	Australian Council of Physiotherapy (formerly ACOPRA)	Code of conduct for physiotherapists - Registration board
Podiatry	Australian Podiatry Council (National) www.apodc.com.au		Accredited Podiatrist Program - 30 hours/2 yrs, log book and Professional Development Plan submitted to organisation	No		Member of State Association. APA Membership cost only (\$825 - full time)		Clinical Guidelines for Orthotic Therapy provided by Podiatrists" , "Australian Podiatric Guidelines for Diabetes, National Infection Control Guidelines for Podiatrists
Psycholgists	Australian Psychological Society (National) www.psychology.org.au	Recognised 6 yr academic qualification (not 4 yrs and supervised practice as for registration)	9 specialist colleges that can become members of with evidence of extra qualifications/training and CPD			Membership of APS (\$435- full time) plus membership of college (~\$70)		
Social Work	Australian Association of Social Workers www.aasw.asn.au	Recognised Qualifications- Bachelor of Social Work or equivalent	Accredited Social Worker of CPD by points		According to standards can supervise other social workers with accreditation	AASW membership cost only (\$431 - full time)	AASW _ Practice Standards for Social Workers- Achieveing Outcomes - Sept 2003, AASW Supervision Standards	
Speech Pathology	Speech Pathology Australia www.speechpathologyaustralia.org.au	Recognised Qualifications for initial joining and for renewal 1000 hrs in last 5 years	Certified Practising Speech Pathologist - 60 points PD in 3 years (random audits ~5%)			SPA membership only for 2007 onwards (\$~420)		
Welfare Workers	Australian Institute of Welfare and Community Workers www.aiwcw.org.au	Recognised qualification e.g.Minumum of 2 yr diploma in welfare or related		Compulsory for AIWCW members (random audit)		Membership cost only (\$250 - full time)		