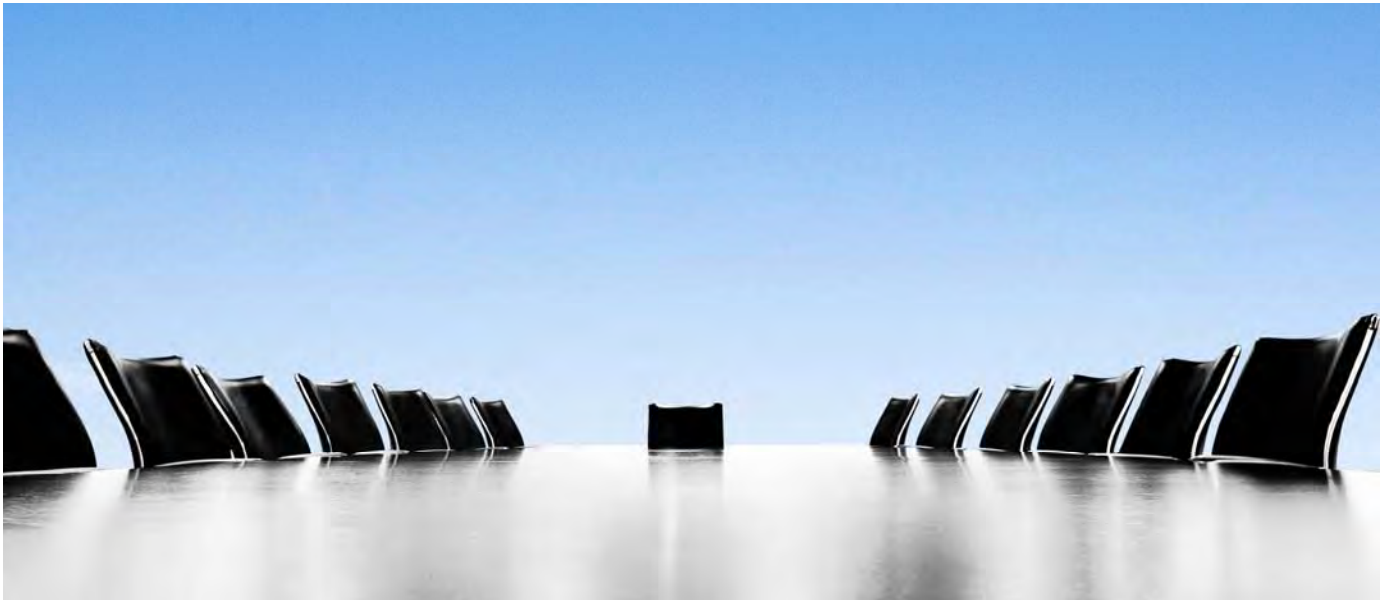




The Australian Centre for  
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## ACHG Board Self Assessment Survey 2012

### Introduction

Due to the demand and positive feedback received, The Australian Centre for Healthcare Governance (ACHG), an initiative of the Victorian Healthcare Association (VHA), is providing another opportunity for organisations to undertake a board self assessment survey from February 2012.

The survey is a useful tool for organisations in assessing the performance of their board and for identifying those functions of the board in need of further development.

The board self assessment provides baseline information to assist organisations' to begin to understand the way in which their board is functioning.

The survey, through multiple choice questions and comments, is designed to gauge the opinion of board members in relation to the overall performance of their board, as well as a self assessment of the respondents own performance.

The collated information is provided to individual organisations and can be used to discuss board performance and identify areas for improvement. The feedback given is anonymous and data will be returned to the organisation identifying only the individual organisation.

### **Benchmarked Data**

By making a uniform survey available to the Victorian health sector, data can be collected to establish sector benchmarks. This will provide organisations with feedback about their own board performance that can then be benchmarked against the sector. The benchmarked data will also provide invaluable information for sector development of boards.

### **Survey Design**

The survey design is based on good governance principles as outlined in the ASX Corporate Governance Principles and Recommendations (ASX 2007). The methodology is consistent with guidelines in the Australian Institute of Company Directors: *Evaluating Board Performance: A guide for company directors* (AICD 2006).

The review considers the performance of the board within four main functional areas:

1. The key roles of the board: including strategy, finance, risk, compliance and the governance of service quality
2. Board structure
3. Board processes
4. Board decision making and behaviour

### **Survey Process**

The survey is accessed online by board members through a unique link that is completely confidential requiring only the identification of the organisation. The survey comprises approximately 60 multiple choice questions with opportunity for additional comments.

### **Survey Data**


Data from the survey can be provided within a fortnight of the nominated survey closing date. The collated survey data will be provided back to each organisation along with any comments collected. The data are grouped together to highlight areas of board functioning e.g. behaviour, processes, key functions. Additional board evaluation services including presentation of survey data and the establishment of a Board Development Plan can be purchased from ACHG.

### **Survey Cost**

**VHA/ACHG Members** \$495.00 fee (GST inclusive)

**Non Member** \$990.00 (GST inclusive)

**Register Your Interest**—For registration of interest to undertake the survey please copy link:  
<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/2012ACHGBoardAssessROI>



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