

Update to the Profession – October 2013

Dear Colleagues

The National Board of the Hypnotherapy Council of Australia (HCA) met again on 16 October 2013, and we wish to bring the following items to your attention:

2014 AGM/SGM

Yes, it is early to be thinking about this, but we all know how full our diaries can get – even 12 months in advance. Therefore, this time we are giving you plenty of notice. The 2014 AGM/SGM is expected to be held in Brisbane, possibly the last weekend in August, but we will confirm the date in the next month or two. This will allow you plenty of time to put it into your diary so that members' delegates can attend. As we found this year, the open and frank discussions were invaluable, and help this profession to grow in a way that is of positive benefit to its member entities and practitioners. We hope to see more of you there in 2014 ☺

ANHR

The Australian National Hypnotherapy Register (ANHR) is growing as we continue to add more practitioners to the listings. If you do not yet have your user name and password yet because you applied with a hard copy application, it will be sent out shortly. If you are not yet listed, there is a page on the website that explains how to register and create a listing. All applications for listing go into pending status until the Registrar has all the relevant details and payment, and then the listing goes live.

We recommend all practitioners check their live listings for accuracy. If you have applied (other than in the 2 weeks before this update) but do not see your listing, or if there needs to be an amendment to your details, please contact us at treasurer@hypnotherapycouncilofaustralia.com, or communicate via the ANHR site contact email.

In the next few weeks, the ANHR logo will also be sent to all listees to add to their own websites as a mark of additional credibility for their practice.

SUBCOMMITTEES

The Chairpersons for the new subcommittees will be appointed soon. If you feel that you would like to participate in a sub-committee and help to further the aims of HCA, positions are vacant on the Finance, Ethics and Educational Advisory Board. Please send any expressions of interest to the HCA secretary at secretary@hypnotherapycouncilofaustralia.com.

DOHA

The National Board has received requests from practitioners to use the DOHA submission which was made to government earlier this year. In fairness to those who gave specific permission to include their work in DOHA, HCA has not given permission for the DOHA submission to be reproduced, but rather it will be uploaded to the HCA website soon, and a link provided so it can be used for reference on our website. This ensures the ongoing integrity of the documents and that all acknowledgements and contributions remain respected over time.

MEMBERSHIP

- Phoenix Institute of Australia is an educational organisation recently accepted for HCA membership.
- Mind Care Qld/Australian Hypnosis and Training Services (AHATS) has changed its name, and is now known as Mind Care Qld/Hypnotherapy Training College, Australia.

We also remind our member entities to use their organisational websites to educate the public about the professional standards of their practitioners, and to make sure there is a reciprocal link to the HCA website so that enquirers can find our members' websites more easily.

HCA WEBSITE

A new statement will be going up onto the front page of the HCA website shortly, aimed at gently re-educating the public. This makes it all the more important that all our HCA member entities have our HCA logo and reciprocal link in place.

The National Board circulates the minutes of monthly National Board meetings to HCA Members only, and these are considered confidential for our member entities, and not for further circulation. However, these Updates to the Profession go to both our HCA Members and other stakeholders who have been involved in the evolution of the profession over the years, and these Updates may be forwarded on to practitioners if required. This helps to keep

everyone informed, and allows those organisations that have not yet joined HCA the opportunity to keep up with the developments, and join if they wish to be a part of this progress. If you would like to contact the National Board about these or other matters, please feel free to do so via secretary@hypnotherapycouncilofaustralia.com or president@hypnotherapycouncilofaustralia.com.

Regards,

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The HCA Mission:

'The Hypnotherapy Council of Australia (HCA) is the national peak body for Clinical Hypnotherapy in Australia.

The HCA provides a cohesive identity for the diversity of hypnotherapy methodologies and promotes their professional and ethical practice for the benefit of the community.'