

Update to the Profession: November – December 2014

Dear Colleagues,

The National Board of the Hypnotherapy Council of Australia (HCA) is aware that many of our member entities and their practitioners are beginning to wind down for the year, so although the National Board meets again in December, this update is expected to be the last for 2014.

The Board has decided to leave the recently vacated position on the Board vacant until the next elections in 2015. This decision was made with respect for the fact that, unlike simply a change of delegates, this was a fully vacated school position, and therefore should be voted on by our members. This is allowed under our Constitution. Nominations will be called for closer to the 2015 AGM.

The Board is also taking action to improve the responsiveness of the ANHR, forming a subcommittee to plan for the elevation of the website to increase its exposure and user friendliness for the benefit of practitioners. The subcommittee will also follow up on the suggestions made at the AGM/SGM this year regarding Branding.

The HCA was represented at the recent Forum in Canberra regarding Peer to Peer Support for veterans, ex-servicemen and women. We thank Allan Henshaw for representing HCA at this forum. If any practitioners are returned or serving, we suggest they make this known within their association and in their advertising so that serving or returned servicemen or women can seek Peer assistance. It may also be helpful for associations to form connections with the existing organisations that support our service men and women.

The National Board passed a by-law at the November meeting to clarify the complaints procedure. From now on, any complaint to HCA must be made by Statuary Declaration before it can be considered by the Board. A complaint can only proceed if actual evidence to support that complaint is provided. Fortunately complaints are rare in our profession!

HCA has recently received another membership application, and this will be assessed by a membership subcommittee. If your organisation is not yet a member of HCA, and would like to join, please contact us to discuss how this may be achieved. If you would like to contact the National Board about these or other matters, please feel free to do so via secretary@hypnotherapycouncilofaustralia.com.

After our December National Board meeting, the Board will then be in recess until February to give the Board members a well-earned rest. So we wish you all the best of the Christmas season, and success in the New Year.

Kind regards,

The National Board

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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.'