



HCA Update to the Profession – July 2015

Dear Colleagues,

The National Board of the Hypnotherapy Council of Australia (HCA) would like to thank all of the delegates and relevant personnel who have volunteered their time and energy throughout this year to assist the ongoing progress of the HCA for the benefit of the practitioners and reputation of the profession.

AGM/SGM

The combined 4th HCA Annual General Meeting (AGM) and Special General Meeting (SGM) will be held on the 29th August 2015 at the Ether Conference Centre, Mercure Hotel, 265 Little Bourke Street, Melbourne. Official delegates of HCA Member Entities are invited to attend not just for the elections, but also to participate in the valuable discussions that occur during the day. This is the chance to help guide the HCA and the profession's direction for the future.

HCA Member Entities will be receiving official notices regarding these meetings, including the Agenda, Nomination forms, Proxy forms, details on voting processes for the day, and importantly, the 7 Special Resolutions that require your vote. Only items listed on the AGM/SGM Agenda will be discussed. All of these details will be sent to the HCA Member Entities' delegates and relevant personnel before the end of July. **Deadlines apply to submission of all documents relevant to the AGM/SGM.** So please watch your inbox and make sure that all your entity's delegates and relevant personnel contact details are up to date with HCA!

If your HCA Member Entity has not received these documents by 5pm 31 July 2015, please contact the Board urgently at secretary@hypnotherapycouncilofaustralia.com.

At the AGM, half of the National Board positions are up for re-election. (Details in the June Update). Only one delegate from any one Member Entity can sit on the Board, and any nomination for a Board position must be endorsed by 2 different HCA Member Entities. Existing Board Members have offered to stand for re-election.

We remind you that all nominations for Board positions will close at 9pm Friday 14 August 2015.

Although two official delegates of each HCA Member Entity may attend, each Member Entity has one vote as per the Constitution, whether they are represented in person or not. So if your entity's delegate will not be attending, please make sure you organise an attending delegate to carry your voice and your vote with a proxy.

Partners are welcome to join the delegates at the Saturday night dinner, although the meetings themselves are for listed HCA Entity delegates only. **Could you please advise numbers of delegates who will be attending the meeting for your entity, as well as numbers for dinner by 14 August.** Thank you. Any special dietary requirements (including vegetarian) must be made known at that time to allow for suitable catering to be arranged.

HCA Membership

We are now into the new financial year, and most of the HCA Member Entities have already submitted their membership renewals. If your entity has not yet completed their membership renewal, please do so by 30 July. We are aware that there have been some changes within organisations, so please make sure you fill in all the details on the form, list your current delegates, and also confirm that your organisation is still eligible for membership of the HCA according to the criteria and subsequent policies as passed by the profession. However, if you have not received your entity's renewal notice, or have misplaced it, please contact Allan Henshaw, HCA Treasurer, immediately at treasurer@hypnotherapycouncilofaustralia.com for a replacement. Thank you.

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

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.'