



HEALTH PROFESSIONS ACCREDITATION COLLABORATIVE FORUM

Australia's accreditation authorities
for regulated health professionals

Communiqué: Health Professions Accreditation Collaborative Forum – 11 February 2022 meeting

The Health Professions Accreditation Collaborative Forum (the Forum), is the coalition of the 15 accreditation authorities for the regulated health professions in Australia with the National Registration and Accreditation Scheme (the Scheme).

This Communiqué outlines activity from the most recent Forum meeting. Discussions were in alignment with the pillars of the current [HPAC Forum 2020 - 2025 Strategic Plan](#) available on the Forum's website.

Strategic Activities

The Forum discussed the Accreditation Committee [communiqué](#), following the second meeting of the committee held in December 2021. The Forum focused on the initial work plan and the intention to develop a glossary of agreed terms and definitions to strengthening a shared language in relation to accreditation and other policy matters. The Committee has acknowledged the Forum's work to date to develop a [glossary of terms for annual program monitoring reports](#), led by the Forum's Accreditation Managers Sub-Committee, and published in November 2020 and the Forum is working with Ahpra to progress the next version of the glossary.

The Forum is currently reviewing submissions received at the end of November 2021 in response to its Request for Proposals (RFP), as part of the Forum's ongoing commitment to improve health outcomes and care for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people by way of enabling a culturally safe health workforce. The Forum is looking to develop a fit for purpose cultural safety training module, tailored to the accreditation context, for professional development of assessment teams across accreditation authorities.

Members are committed to ensuring the Forum continues to be seen as the community of practice and expert voice on health program accreditation and assessments. Outcomes of this work are continuing and will be reported over the next 18 months.

Next Meeting

The next scheduled Face to Face meeting is April 2022.

Ms Narelle Mills

Chair

Health Professions Accreditation Collaborative Forum

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Our Vision is *"Better health outcomes through high quality accreditation and assessment services for all regulated health professions within Australia"*.

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