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Australia's accreditation authorities
for regulated health professionals

Communiqué

Health Professions Accreditation Collaborative Forum July 2024 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 to keep stakeholders informed about its work.

Discussions are in alignment with the pillars of the current [HPAC Forum 2023 - 2025 Strategic Plan](#), which is available on the Forum's website.

Stakeholder Engagement

Dr Helen Gniel, Director, Higher Education Integrity Unit of TEQSA presented their work in regard to artificial intelligence as there is currently a shared interest in continuing to produce high quality graduates across the education sector. A TEQSA guide [Assessment reform for the age of artificial intelligence](#), was released last year and is available on their website to assist, students, professional bodies, education providers and employers.

Ms Melissa Browning, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Program Manager, Ahpra, Ms Sam Paxton, CEO, Weenthunga Health Network and Ms Ashley Paxton, SEWB and VAHEN online Spaces Lead, Weenthunga Health Network presented the first draft of the *National Scheme's Cultural Safety Accreditation and Continuous Professional Development Upskilling Framework Strategy 2025 – 2027*. The draft framework is being circulated for targeted consultation feedback and endorsement by 25 August, 2024.

Mr Martin Fletcher, CEO, Ahpra, Mr Chris Robertson, Executive Director, Strategy and Policy, Ahpra attended the meeting to discuss collaboration in the Scheme between the Forum and the Forum of National Chairs (FoNC).

Leadership

The Forum's joint project with ABSTARR on developing Cultural Safety Training for accreditation assessors was [launched in May 2024](#). The first moderated workshop was held in July in Melbourne. More information regarding the Cultural Safety Training for accreditation contributors can be found on the [Forum's website](#).

Next Meeting

The next scheduled meeting of the Forum will be held in Canberra in September 2024.

Dr Terry Crisp
Chair, Health Professions Accreditation Collaborative Forum
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for all regulated health professions within Australia”.

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