

The Psychotherapists Board of Aotearoa New Zealand

Te Poari o nga Kaihaumanu Hinengaro o Aotearoa



December 2017

This issue brings you up to date with Board related work since our last newsletter in October 2017

*Nā tō rourou, nā taku rourou ka ora ai te iwi
With your food basket and my food basket the people will thrive*

*Tēnā tātou katoa,
Nau mai haere mai ki te pānui a-marama.
He mihi maioha ki a koutou
Ko te tumanako kua ora katoa ō koutou whānau*

*Welcome to the Newsletter for this month.
Warm regards to you all at this time of the year.
We hope that you and your families are well.*

The Holiday Season

The holiday season is here and the Board members and Eva and Jacq would like to wish you all a wonderful break.

Travel safely and enjoy your time with family and friends.

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Recertification Audit update

The Board has contacted all practitioners who have been randomly selected for the 2016-2017 Recertification Audit. The Audit will be carried out between March and June 2018.

Accreditation Committee Update

The Accreditation Committee continues to work on a draft structure for the accreditation of psychotherapy training programmes. Further consultation and a training provider hui is being planned for 2018.

Wider consultation is anticipated to be held late 2018 or early 2019. This will involve programme providers, practitioners, the public, regulatory authorities and other agencies related to

psychotherapy training, via the Board's website.

Board Tiriti o Waitangi/Treaty of Waitangi Policy Statement Review

The Board has been considering how to improve bicultural engagement.

Part of this process has been to review its 'Policy Statement in consideration of Te Tiriti o Waitangi in carrying out the Board's regulatory functions under the Health Practitioners Competence Assurance Act 2003'.

This review has resulted in some amendments to the policy including a name change. Once the policy review is finalised the Board will notify psychotherapists in its newsletter and update the Board's website with the revised policy.

Te Tiriti o Waitangi/Treaty of Waitangi Partnership Advisory Roopū (Roopū).

To improve the Board's bicultural engagement the Board is in the process of developing Terms of Reference for a Te Tiriti o Waitangi/Treaty of Waitangi Partnership Advisory Roopū (Roopū).

The role of this Roopū will be to, as planned, provide bicultural advice and/or review relevant issues under consideration by the Board.

Essentially the Roopū will support the Board in meeting the Board's amended Policy Statement on Board Work and the Spirit of Te Tiriti o Waitangi/Treaty of Waitangi.

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The Board intends to advertise for tangata whenua and tangata tiriti (Maori and non-Maori) psychotherapists for membership of this Advisory Roopū. Expressions of interest will be invited early 2018. The Board will keep psychotherapists updated as this work progresses.

Meet the Board

The March meeting will take place in Dunedin to coincide with the New Zealand Association of Psychotherapists (NZAP) Conference.

This will provide NZAP members and other psychotherapists with an opportunity to meet Board members, ask questions and receive updates on Board work.

If you are intending to come along, please RSVP to registrar@pbanz.org.nz. A reminder will be sent closer to the time.

Date: Sunday 18 March 2018
Time: 1-3pm
Location: Scenic Hotel Southern Cross
Scenic Room
118 High St
Dunedin

2018 Board meeting dates

Sunday 18th and Monday 19th March 2018
– Dunedin.

Friday 25th and Saturday 26th May 2018
– Location to be confirmed.

Sunday 19th and Monday 20th August 2018
– Wellington.

Friday 16th and Saturday 17th November 2018
– Wellington

Office hours over the holiday period

The Board's office will close on Thursday 21st December and reopen on Monday 15th January 2018.

Ngā manaakitanga. Best wishes. PBANZ.