

The Psychotherapists Board of Aotearoa New Zealand

Te Poari o nga Kaihaumanu Hinengaro o Aotearoa



October 2017

This issue brings you up to date with Board related work since our last newsletter in August 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.*

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Ministerial appointments to the Board

The Board is pleased to announce that Anna Hedley has been reappointed to the Board for a three (3) year term.

As a reminder, all psychotherapists have the opportunity to apply to serve on the Board as a practitioner member.

Regulatory Authority appointment processes are managed by the Ministry of Health. The Ministry of Health has a page dedicated to this process on its [Website](#).

If you wish to be considered for appointment, please read the information provided by the Ministry (see their website), fill out the Ministry application and send it, along with a copy of your CV, to appointments@moh.govt.nz.

Although the Board does not currently have any vacancies the Board will have three (3) practitioner terms coming to an end next year.

The Ministry will advise all stakeholders once it opens its application process. The Board will also advise psychotherapists on behalf of the Ministry.

Any application questions should be directed to appointments@moh.govt.nz.

APC renewal

The Annual Practising Certification (APC) renewal process opened on Thursday **10th August 2017**.

The Board would like to thank all psychotherapists who completed the renewal process prior to the 1st October 2017.

[If you haven't yet updated the Board on your 2017/2018 practice intentions please contact the Board's Registrar.](#)

Recertification Audit update

Thank you to all the psychotherapists who were selected for and engaged in the 2015/2016 Recertification Audit. As stated in the last newsletter the audit process was successful with the Board receiving encouraging and positive feedback from many psychotherapists.

Feedback indicated that psychotherapists are finding the self-reflective process beneficial and useful to their practice.

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Following this the Board has developed some Recertification Plan tips which psychotherapists may find useful when audited.

Please note that the Board will be contacting those selected for the 2016-2017 audit in November.

The full list of audit tips are available on the Board's website on the [Recertification and Audit page](#).

Information Sheet – clinical note keeping

From time to time the Board will develop Information Sheets which it hopes psychotherapists will find useful. The Board has recently developed an Information Sheet – Clinical Notes.

This is located on the Board's website under [Resources/Publications–Information Sheets](#).

Correct address details

A number of APCs have been returned to the office with incorrect or incomplete addresses. Please ensure your address details are updated with the Board's Registrar.

2017 Board meeting dates

Friday 24th and Saturday 25th November. Due to budgetary reasons all meetings are being held in Wellington.

Meet the Board

Practitioners are invited to meet with the Board in November (open forum). This is an opportunity to ask questions about recertification, accreditation or simply meet the Board members and engage in conversation. 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 24th November 2017

Time: 4.30pm

Location: Executive Boardroom 2,
James Cook Hotel,
147 The Terrace,
Wellington

Best wishes for your ongoing psychotherapy work and for your personal well-being.