

The Council on Chiropractic Education Australasia (CCEA) held its Board of Directors' Meeting in Sydney on 26 May 2019

Governance

The CCEA Board considered the following at its May meeting:

- The current year (18/19) finance report.
- Review and approval of the 19/20 budget.
- 19/20 AHPRA workplan and funding grant.
- Annual costings submitted to AHPRA via the Health Professions Accreditation Councils' Forum (HPACF).
- Strategic matters including the CCEA-AHPRA 2019-24 Accreditation Agreement, CCEA Board development, constitutional review and cultural safety training.
- Environmental matters including the Accreditation Systems Review, policies in practice, HPACF, conference attendance and learnings and paediatric practice.
- Approval of the revised accreditation fees policy.
- Accredited programs and overseas skills assessment matters.
- Election of a CCEA Board director (1) and Accreditation Committee members (1) including the Chair position (1).

The CCEA Board welcomed Dr Dawn Dane to her first board meeting following her appointment. Dr Dane replaces Dr Barry Draper.

The board acknowledged outgoing director, Dr Dein Vindigni, and thanked him for his contribution to the Council.

As a result of the elections, Dr Phil McMaster was appointed to the CCEA Board, and Professor Donald Byrne and Emeritus Professor Stefan Pallister (Chair) appointed to the Accreditation Committee. The CCEA Board was pleased to see strong interest in the elections resulting in a high number of nominations received.

The next board meeting is scheduled for October 2019.

Program accreditation activity

- The Chair of the Accreditation Committee presented the Chair Report.



- Consideration was given to the status of all accredited programs.
- Accreditation status was granted for two programs, Macquarie University and Murdoch University, following a rigorous evaluation.
- Intensive monitoring of the Hanseo University program continues during teach out.

At its meeting of 25 May, the Accreditation Committee welcomed Dr Scott Charlton to his first face-to-face meeting following his appointment.

Skills Assessment

The board acknowledged Dr Marina Fox's appointment to the role of Chair, Chiropractic Overseas Assessment Committee (COAC).

While only recently appointed, Dr Fox attended the board meeting via teleconference to present the COAC Chair Report.

The CCEA Board considered a range of matters relating to skills assessment of overseas practitioners. This included a range of procedural and system improvements for the management of candidates and the assessments, stage 1 & 2 statistics and operational changes implemented.

Vale Dr John Sweaney

The Council took time to acknowledge the sad passing of Dr John Sweaney.

Dr Sweaney, a highly respected individual in the profession, made an extensive contribution to accreditation and the profession more broadly. The board noted his loss would be felt across the profession.