

Media release

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Pharmacists reminded to renew registration on time

Pharmacists due to renew their registration with the Pharmacy Board of Australia (the National Board) have less than two weeks for timely renewal.

More than 25,700 pharmacists with general or non-practising registration are due to renew by 30 November.

National Board Chair, Adjunct Associate Professor Stephen Marty, said more than 65 per cent of pharmacists had already renewed their registration, the majority doing so online.

'It's great to see pharmacists heeding the call to renew online and on time,' he said.

The Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA), on behalf of the National Board, is sending pharmacists a series of email and hard copy reminders to renew.

'Anyone who may not have received a reminder to renew should contact AHPRA's Customer Service Team on 1300 419 495 to check that their registered contact details are up to date,' Adjunct Associate Professor Marty said.

As outlined in the National Law¹, renewal applications received after the registration expiry date will incur a late payment fee in addition to the annual renewal fee.

'I urge all pharmacists who have not yet renewed their registration to act now by using AHPRA's secure online service for renewal,' Adjunct Associate Professor Marty said.

Pharmacists, whose application is received on time or during the following one month late period, can continue practising while their application is processed.

Pharmacists who do not apply to renew their registration by 31 December 2013 will have lapsed registration. They will be removed from the [Register of Pharmacists](#) and will not be able to practise their profession in Australia.

¹ The Health Practitioner Regulation National Law, as in force in each state and territory (the National Law).

The following pages on the National Board website contain useful information for pharmacists:

[Registration renewal](#)

[Registration standards](#)

[FAQ on renewal](#)

For more information

- Visit www.pharmacyboard.gov.au
- Visit www.ahpra.gov.au under *Contact us* to lodge an online enquiry form
- For registration enquiries: 1300 419 495 (within Australia) +61 3 8708 9001 (overseas callers)
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