



Australian and New Zealand Society of Nuclear Medicine Limited

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Dear Members

RE: Changes to the Accreditation Board

The national registration scheme for technologists was implemented on the 1st July 2012. As part of this scheme, functions such as course accreditation, previously undertaken by the ANZSNM Accreditation Board were the responsibility of the MRPBA¹ and AMRSAC². Therefore, the ANZSNM federal council, in consultation with the ANSNMT, made the decision to disband the accreditation board and to restructure the existing roles of the TSIG to include the remaining functions of the Accreditation Board, as follows:

- **PDY Program** - the MRPBA have endorsed the existing ANZSNM PDY program till 31st December 2013. A sub-committee, chaired by Tale Liiv, will be formed directly reportable to the TSIG committee to oversee the PDY and mentor program;
- **CPD Program** – the MRPBA recognise the existing ANZSNM CPD program. The new CPD database is currently being tested and will go-live on Monday 13th August. A sub-committee responsible for overseeing the CPD program including the annual 5% independent audit, chaired by Clayton Frater, will be formed and be directly reportable to the TSIG committee;
- **Departmental Accreditation** – a sub-committee of the TSIG will be formed to oversee departmental accreditation for technologist training, with the chair yet to be determined;
- **Overseas Qualification Assessment (OQA)** –no decision has been made by the MRPBA regarding OQA. Therefore the society will continue as is, with the examination being overseen by Doug Mackey;
- **Accreditation Revalidation** – with national registration likely to be recognised as the minimum standard linked with individual State licensing, revalidation of accreditation **is now obsolete**. Therefore technologists **DO NOT** need to revalidate their accreditation. Technologists who have an accreditation certificate with an expiry date will be re-issued with a new open-ended accreditation certificate. This may take some time but we anticipate that all technologists will receive their new certificates by the end of 2012.

The ANSNMT will report directly to the federal council via quarterly reports and the existing TSIG regulations will be modified to include these new roles.

Please contact the ANZSNM secretariat if you have any questions regarding these changes.

Yours sincerely,

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