

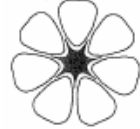







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       	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FLAGGING</b></p> <hr/> <p><b>1.0 Introduction</b></p> <p>Medical boards are required by their legislation to maintain a Register of Medical Practitioners registered to practice within their jurisdictions. The boards share with other boards appropriate registration information in relation to practitioners. This is currently done electronically through the National Compendium of Medical Registers and in time will occur through the Australian Index of Medical Practitioners (AIMP) when the Index is established.</p> <p>The following state and territory medical boards have agreed to this policy:</p> <p>Medical Board of the Australian Capital Territory  New South Wales Medical Board  Medical Board of the Northern Territory  Medical Board of Queensland  Medical Board of South Australia  Medical Council of Tasmania  Medical Practitioners Board of Victoria  Medical Board of Western Australia</p> <p><b>2.0 Conduct/Health/Performance Flags</b></p> <p>A flag is to be placed against the name of a person on the Register at the time when a disciplinary, health or performance matter comes to the board's attention that could result in a change to the person's registration status or category, such as the imposition of conditions or suspension. A flag is an indicator to other jurisdictions that they should contact the board which placed the flag on the practitioner for additional information.</p> <p>If there is a change to the person's registration status or category as a result of a matter, then the flag shall remain on the Register. If there is no change to the person's registration status or category as a result of this matter, then the flag is to be removed.</p> <p><b>3.0 Other Flags</b></p> <p>Boards shall also place a flag when:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. an application for registration has been refused; or</li> </ol>

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	<p>b. an intern or AMC supervised trainee has failed to satisfactorily complete their supervised training; or</p> <p>c. a temporary registrant (such as an area of need registrant) has had their registration withdrawn due to unsatisfactory performance.</p> <p>The flag is to be removed once the person has successfully met the stated requirement.</p> <p><b>4.0 Implementation Date</b></p> <p>These guidelines take effect from 5 March 2007.</p>

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