



# APAC BOARD COMMUNIQUÉ

February 2024

The APAC Board met on 26 February 2024 in person

Our post-Board communiqué is designed to give stakeholders a greater insight into the workings of APAC Board meetings.

The meeting began with an Acknowledgment of Country. We had eight Board members in attendance.

## Accreditation business

The Board noted that the AAC and CEO had made determinations under powers delegated to them by the Board. All determinations are reported to the Psychology Board of Australia, which will then decide whether to approve each program for the purpose of registration.

### AAC determinations

| Determination type                                 | Number of providers | Number of sequences (by titles)     |
|--|---------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Initial accreditation                              | 0                   | 0                                   |
| Re-accreditation                                   | 0                   | 0                                   |
| Program monitoring                                 | 20                  | 109 sequences<br>367 program titles |
| Additional campus to deliver an accredited program | 0                   | 0                                   |



## Administrative decisions

| Determination type                            | Number of providers | Number of programs by titles |
|---|---------------------|------------------------------|
| Programs in teach out                         | 2                   | 4                            |
| Discontinued programs (completely taught out) | 3                   | 4                            |
| Addition of new program titles                | 4                   | 38                           |
| Change of title                               | 1                   | 2                            |
| Extension of accreditation period             | 0                   | 0                            |

## Other business

The Board welcomed three new Directors, Associate Professor Melissa Davis, Associate Professor Kaye Frankcom and Professor Gene Moyle, who join APAC under our new constitution. The Board agreed to seek nominations for a further Director, possibly with legal expertise.

The meeting made a number of office bearer appointments for terms up to three years. I'm honoured to have been appointed again as APAC Chair.

In addition, I wish to acknowledge that Professor Mary Katsikitis was appointed as Deputy Chair; Associate Professor Melissa Davis was appointed as Accreditation Assessment Committee Chair; Mr Mark Eldridge was appointed Finance, Risk and Audit Committee Chair; and Mr Robert Fearnside was appointed Nominations Committee Chair.

The Board was briefed on progress of the risk-based approach, which is on track with key deliverables:

- Risk weightings guide (implementation in March)
- Risk profile template (completed)
- Provider profiles x 43 (on track for circulation in May)
- Mapping extended data request to Standards (on track)

The annual reporting process will be used to create a library of data that will be used to systematise APAC's risk-based approach, calibrate the level of interaction with providers and provide greater levels of oversight where required.

Based on feedback and as part of ongoing process improvement, the Student to Staff Ratios (SSR) calculator is undergoing redesign.

The Board noted that APAC was tracking well against its budget.

**Adjunct Professor John Dunn**  
Chair, APAC