APAC Board Communiqué

August 2026

The APAC Board met on **31 August 2026**. Our post-Board communique is designed to give stakeholders a greater insight into the workings of APAC Board meetings.

Accreditation Business

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

AAC Determinations

Determination Type	Providers (n)	Programs (n)
Initial Accreditation	0	0
Re-accreditation	3	36
Program Monitoring	20	505
Accreditation of an existing accredited program at an additional campus	0	0

Board Determinations

Determination Type	Providers (n)	Programs (n)
Initial Accreditation	0	0
Re-accreditation	1	6
Program Monitoring	2	24
Accreditation of an existing accredited program at an additional campus	0	0

Administrative Decisions

Decision Type	Providers (n)	Programs (n)
Programs in teach out	1	6
Discontinued programs (completely taught out)	0	0

Addition of new program titles	2	8
Change of title	0	0
Change of campus	0	0

Other Business

The Board reviewed components of APAC's business and strategy, subject to the rollout of Ahpra's strategy, the Psychology Board of Australia's proposed higher education reforms and the Health Professions Accreditation Collaborative Forum (HPAC Forum) 2026-2029 Strategic Plan.

The Board concluded with discussions surrounding strategic engagement with key stakeholders.

Other key updates included:

- Adopting and reviewing key recommendations on recent final and draft accreditation assessments.
- Noting outcomes from the Australian Indigenous Psychology Education (AIPEP)-APAC Cultural Safety Project.
- Noting the outcomes of the Australian Psychology Placement Alliance (APPA)-APAC Placement Resources Project - Towards Good Practice Guidance Notes: Simulation-Based Activities; Logbooks; Informed consent; Direct Client Activities (DCA); Remediation; Joint Supervision.
- Approving the Agenda for the APAC Community of Practice Conference (*Preparing the Future Psychology Workforce)*, taking place on 4 November 2026.
- Adopting amendments to the APAC Board Charter related to stakeholder engagement
- Noting the status of recruitment for a new director to join APAC's Board of Directors.

The Board reviewed changes to the APAC Constitution to align director and office bearer terms and the Board's authority to appoint casual vacancies.

The next APAC Board meeting will take place on **Monday, 26 October 2026**.

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Chair, APAC