

Media Release

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The Australian Pharmacy Council is Seeking New Directors

The Australian Pharmacy Council (APC) has the following objects:

- (a) to devise and arrange the implementation of assessment procedures within the Commonwealth of Australia and overseas, which may be used by members to determine professional competence;
- (b) to carry out such functions as are necessary for the accreditation of pharmacy education providers and/or courses which may be relied upon for the registration of pharmacists;
- (c) to carry out such functions as are necessary for the accreditation of continuing pharmacy education or professional development providers and/or activities that may be offered to registered pharmacists, which may be relied upon for the re-registration of pharmacists;
- (d) to improve the consistency of the standards of pharmaceutical education, registration and practice, including proposing model legislation, guidelines and codes of conduct;
- (e) to examine issues of national and international importance and relevance and where appropriate make recommendations to governments and other bodies;
- (f) to co-operate with state, national and international associations, authorities and organisations in a manner consistent with the attainment of these purposes;
- (g) to undertake any other functions the Company sees fit.

The APC is seeking applications for directorship from people with some or all of the following attributes:

- Clear understanding of governance responsibilities
- Management/financial and/or legal background
- Educational experience in pharmacy or otherwise
- Understanding of and/or experience with accreditation activities
- Understanding of registration and/or professional regulation activities
- National perspective especially having regard to indigenous issues and with an understanding of the issues of remote and rural pharmacy practice

Applications must address the attributes as above and include curriculum vitae. Applications must reach the APC Office no later than **6 April 2010**.

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