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## Supervised practice plan

The supervisee must wait until the supervised practice plan is approved, including the approval of a supervisor(s) by the National Board, before starting or restarting practice.

## When is a plan required?

This form is for supervisees who need to give the National Board a proposed supervised practice arrangement as set out in the *Supervised practice framework* (framework) and supporting documents. The framework is on the relevant National Board website:

#### https://www.ahpra.gov.au/National-Boards.aspx

A plan may be required when:

- applying for provisional, limited, general or specialist registration
- at renewal of registration
- returning to practice after an absence
- changing to a different field or scope of practice (where applicable)
- needing to meet the eligibility requirements for an application for registration or endorsement, or
- an inability to meet any other requirements of a registration standard for the profession.

A new plan may also be required when there is a change in supervisor, practice or employment location.

## Who completes the plan?

The supervisor completes the plan in consultation with the supervisee.

## Approval of the plan

The supervisee submits the completed plan to the Board via Ahpra for consideration and approval. If changes are needed to the plan, feedback will be provided to the supervisee and supervisor.

## Definitions

Information about the meaning of words used in this form such as supervisee, supervisor are in the definitions section of the framework.

## **Content of the plan**

For help in completing the plan read:

- The framework and supporting documents which explains the principles that support supervised practice, the risk factors that inform the level of supervised practice, the expectations of supervisees, supervisors and employers, and the compliance process.
- Appendix 1: Links to relevant National Board material for profession specific documents such as registration standards
- Appendix 2: Information for supervisees
- Appendix 3: Information for supervisors
- Appendix 4: Supervised practice levels
- <u>Notes</u> at the end of the form to help in completing the plan
- Other profession specific requirements such as orientation to the Australian health system and cultural safety currently required by some Boards.

The framework and appendices are on the relevant National Board website: https://www.ahpra.gov.au/National-Boards.aspx.

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## **SECTION A:** Supervisee details

#### 1. What are the personal details of the supervisee?

Family name			
First given name			
Date of birth	Y		
Health profession         Aboriginal and Torres Strait         Islander Health Practice         Chinese Medicine         Chiropractic	<ul> <li>Dental</li> <li>Medical</li> <li>Medical Radiation Practice</li> <li>Midwifery</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Nursing</li> <li>Occupational Therapy</li> <li>Optometry</li> <li>Osteopathy</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Paramedicine</li><li>Physiotherapy</li><li>Podiatry</li></ul>
Registration number (e.g. DEN0001         Monitoring and compliance number		Division / endorsement / specia	alty (if applicable)

## SECTION B: Supervisor's details

The Board may approve more than one supervisor. This allows for flexibility if a supervisor is not available and for supervised practice to be relevant and suitable for the profession.

The number of supervisees a supervisor can supervise will depend on the purpose and level of supervised practice required for each supervisee. It is important the supervisor has adequate time to carry out the role of supervisor.

It is also important that employers support the supervised practice arrangement.

If more than one alternate supervisor is nominated, attach a separate sheet with the same details of the supervisor as set out below. *Appendix 3: Information for supervisors* explains more information about primary and alternate supervisors.

#### 2. What are the personal details of the primary supervisor?

Family name			
First given name			
Health profession			
Aboriginal and Torres Strait	Medical	Ccupational Therapy	Pharmacy
Islander Health Practice	Medical Radiation Practice	Optometry	Physiotherapy
Chinese Medicine	Midwifery	Osteopathy	Podiatry
Chiropractic	Nursing	Paramedicine	Respectively
🔀 Dental			
Registration number (e.g. DEN0001	23456)	Division / endorsement / spec	ialty (if applicable)

#### 3. What is the primary supervisor's experience?

Attach to the plan a **signed and dated** curriculum vitae that describes the supervisor's full practice history, clinical or skills training, and any experience or training as a supervisor, for example how many supervisees they have supervised before. It must also contain all the elements defined in Ahpra's standard format for curriculum vitae which can be found at **www.ahpra.gov.au/cv** 

#### 4. What are the personal details of alternate supervisor 1?

Read Appendix 3: Information for supervisors which explains information about primary and alternate supervisors

Family name			
First given name			
Health profession			
Aboriginal and Torres Strait	Medical	Ccupational Therapy	Pharmacy
Islander Health Practice	Medical Radiation Practice	Optometry	Physiotherapy
Chinese Medicine	Midwifery	Osteopathy	Podiatry
Chiropractic	Nursing	Paramedicine	Psychology
🔀 Dental	<b>v</b>		
Registration number (e.g. DEN000123456)		Division / endorsement / specialty (if applicable)	

#### 5. What is the experience of alternate supervisor 1?

Attach to the plan a **signed and dated** curriculum vitae that describes the supervisor's full practice history, clinical or skills training, and any experience or training as a supervisor, for example how many supervisees they have previously supervised. It must also contain all the elements defined in Ahpra's standard format for curriculum vitae which can be found at **www.ahpra.gov.au/cv** 

### SECTION C: Conflict of interest disclosure

Read Appendix 2: Information for supervisees and Appendix 3: Information for supervisors which explains information about conflicts of interest.

#### 6. Does the supervisee have any actual or potential conflicts of interest with the proposed supervisor(s) to disclose?

YES 💟	NO 🔀				
Provide deta	Provide details of any actual or potential conflicts of interest with the supervisor(s)				
AI	ch a separate sheet if the conflict of interest details do not fit in the space provided.				

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7.	Does the primary supervisor have any actual or potential conflicts of interest with the supervisee to disclose?	
	Provide details of any actual or potential conflicts of interest with the supervisee	
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8.	Does alternate supervisor 1 have any actual or potential conflicts of interest with the supervisee to disclose?         YES       N0	

Provide details of any actual or potential conflicts of interest with the supervisee			

9. Is there more than one proposed alternate supervisor? YES 🔀 NO 🔀

Attach to the plan a separate sheet that provides details of any actual or potential conflicts of interest with the supervisee.

## SECTION D: Details of the supervised practice arrangement

10. What are the supervisee's proposed role and employment details?

Supervisee's proposed title/role	
Describe the supervisee's proposed role	
Details of proposed employer of supervisee Organisation	
Address (e.g. 123 JAMES AVENUE; or UNIT 1A, 30 JAMES STRE	ET)
City/Suburb/Town	
State/Territory (e.g. VIC, ACT)	Postcode
Business phone	Email
Attach a separate sheet if the employer details	do not fit OR if your supervised practice is to occur with more than one employer.
Attach proof of employment documents, e.g. a proposed role(s) if not already provided with an	signed letter of offer, contract of employment, position description for the application form.

#### 11. What are the proposed workplace/locations for supervised practice?

Workplaces/location(s) where supervised practice is proposed			
	location list all workplaces/locations e.g. name of hospital, health service, unit, clinic,		
Site/building and/or position/department (if applicable)			
Address (e.g. 123 JAMES AVENUE; or UNIT 1A, 30 JAMES STRE	EET)		
City/Suburb/Town			
State/Territory (e.g. VIC, ACT)	Postcode		
Business phone	Email		

Site/building and/or position/department (if applicable)				
Address (e.g. 123 JAMES AVENUE; or UNIT 1A, 30 JAMES STRE	EET)			
City/Suburb/Town				
State/Territory (e.g. VIC, ACT)	Postcode			
Business phone	Email			
Business phone	Email			

#### 12. What are the details of the proposed supervised practice arrangement?

Read the notes at the end of the form for help in completing the question.

Proposed date of supervised practice To activate auto-calendar please click cursor within the date fields.				
	End date (if applicable)			
		Y		
actice				
Indirect 1	Indirect 2	Remote		
rting level of supervised practic	e			
Consultation frequency between supervisee and supervisor (if applicable) at the proposed starting level of supervised practice Read <u>Note B</u>				
of patient contacts (if applicable	e) at the proposed starting level of su	pervised practice		
	actice Indirect 1 rting level of supervised practic see and supervisor (if applicabl	End date (if applicable)  DD / MM / YYY  actice Indirect 1 Indirect 2  rting level of supervised practice		

#### 13. Describe how supervised practice is to be provided at the proposed starting level of supervised practice.

Read the notes at the end of the form for help in completing the question. Read *Note D* 

Mark all applicable options	
Direct supervision of clinical care provided	Case reviews
Direct supervision of assessments	Details of frequency e.g. daily, weekly, fortnightly
Discussion of treatment plan after assessment	
Observation of initial consultation and treatment	Teleconferences
Review of patient records and treatment plans	Details of frequency e.g. daily, weekly, fortnightly
Professional education sessions	
Literature presentation and analysis	<ul> <li>Meetings</li> <li>Details of frequency e.g. daily, weekly, fortnightly</li> </ul>
Specific tasks set	
Group supervised practice/teaching/learning sessions	Other
Case presentation	<ul> <li>Details of other ways supervised practice is to be provided</li> </ul>

### **SECTION E:** Anticipated progression through supervised practice levels and level requirements

Progression through supervised practice levels is required for some purposes of supervised practice.

The anticipated period of time at each level of supervised practice and approval for progression between levels of supervision, may vary depending on the purpose of the supervised practice and profession specific requirements.

Ahpra will provide information to supervisees about who will authorise the progression through the supervised practice levels, for example the National Board or the supervisor and when progression can occur.

#### 14. Is progression through the supervised practice levels required?

- YES Go to the next question
- NO Solution NO Section F: Issues to be addressed during supervised practice
- 15. Complete the details of the anticipated progression through the supervised practice levels (if known) and the details of the supervised practice at each proposed supervised practice level. Read the notes at the end of the form for help in completing the table.

Supervised practice level	Criteria to progress to the next supervised practice level E.g: demonstrated competence, hours of supervised practice, or patient contacts. Read <u>Note E</u>	Anticipated timeframe at this level before progression to the next level Read <u>Note F</u>	<b>Reporting</b> frequency Read <u>Note A</u>	<b>Consultation</b> frequency Read <u>Note B</u>	How supervised practice is to be provided Read <u>Note D</u>
Indirect 1					
Indirect 2					
Remote					
Attach a	Attach a separate sheet if the issues to be addressed do not fit in the space provided				

## SECTION F: Issues to be addressed during supervised practice

#### 16. What issues will be addressed during supervised practice?

Issues to be addressed are related to the supervised practice requirements e.g. communication, record keeping. These issues should also be considered if completing section G if required. These issues will be reported on in question 24 of the supervised practice report.

Issue	Measures to address issue	Review date	
Attach a separate sheet if the issues to be addressed do not fit in the space provided.			

#### 17. Has the National Board advised you that more profession specific information is required?

For example, to determine if the supervisee meets the relevant profession specific registration standards, capabilities, competencies, thresholds or standards for practice. This will depend on the purpose of the supervised practice.

- YES Go to Section G: Supervised practice goals and activities
- NO **Go to Section H: Extra requirements/documents**

#### **SECTION G:** Supervised practice goals and activities

The supervised practice goals and activities should reflect the issues to be addressed in supervised practice set out in Section F and be consistent with the Board's entry level standards, capabilities, competencies, thresholds, or standards for practice in Appendix 1 of the framework or other tools. These should also be consistent with the code of conduct and code of ethics (where relevant).

## 18. Complete the relevant sections using the Board's entry level standards, capabilities, competencies, thresholds or standards for practice in Appendix 1 of the framework. This information will be reported on in the supervised practice report at question 19.



Attach to the plan a separate sheet available on the relevant Board's website that sets out the Board's entry level standards, capabilities, competencies, thresholds, standards for practice, or other tools and complete the supervised practice goals and planned activities to meet the supervised practice goals sections of the sheet.

### **SECTION H:** Extra requirements/documents

#### 19. Is the supervisee required to complete additional requirements or documents during supervised practice?

Some National Boards require the supervisee to complete additional requirements such as: orientation to the Australian health system, and cultural safety. These will be detailed on the relevant National Board website.

YES	NO <u>Go to declarations</u>		
Provide details of a	Provide details of additional requirements or documents		
Attach ar	ny relevant reports of evidence of completing the additional requirements.		

## **SECTION I:** Supervisee's declaration

By signing this declaration, I acknowledge and confirm I:

- will not start practice, or restart practice, until the National Board has approved the supervisor(s) and the supervised practice plan unless otherwise agreed by the National Board
- will carry out and comply with the expectations and responsibilities of supervised practice set out in the framework, supporting documents, supervised
  practice plan and attachments.

Name of supervisee	Signature of supervisee	
Date	SIGN HERE	

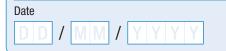
## SECTION J: Primary supervisor's declaration

By signing this declaration, I acknowledge and confirm I:

- have completed this plan in consultation with the supervisee and in my professional opinion consider the contents in the supervised practice plan and attachments to be appropriate to the supervisee's identified needs
- have adequate time to carry out the role of primary supervisor
- will carry out the role of primary supervisor for the supervisee listed on this form to the requirements set out in the framework and supporting documents, and
- have attached to this form a signed and dated CV that confirms I have suitable training, experience and/or qualifications in order to provide the supervised practice required.

#### Name of primary supervisor

Signature of primary supervisor



## SECTION K: Alternate supervisor(s) declaration

By signing this declaration, I acknowledge and confirm I:

- have adequate time to carry out the role of alternate supervisor
- will carry out the role of alternate supervisor for the supervisee listed on this form to the requirements contained in the framework and supporting documents, and
- have attached to this form a signed and dated CV that confirms I have suitable training, experience and/or qualifications in order to provide the supervised practice required.

Name of alternate supervisor 1 Date Name / YYYYY	Signature of alternate supervisor 1
Name of alternate supervisor 2	Signature of alternate supervisor 2

# Date



If more than two alternate supervisors are nominated, attached a separate sheet with a signed and dated declaration as set out above

## SECTION L: Checklist

#### Have the following items been attached or arranged, if required?

Extra documentation A		
Section B	If there is more than one alternate supervisor, a separate sheet with details of the other alternate supervisor(s) and the curriculum vitae for each alternate supervisor	$\times$
Question 3	The primary supervisor's curriculum vitae	$\times$
Question 5	The alternate supervisor's curriculum vitae	$\times$
Question 6	A separate sheet with the details about any actual or potential conflicts of interest with the supervisee and each extra supervisor nominated	$\times$
Question 9	A separate sheet with the details about any actual or potential conflicts of interest with the supervisee and each extra supervisor nominated	$\times$
Question 10	A separate sheet with the details of extra employers (if applicable)	$\times$
Question 10	The signed letter of offer and official position description for the supervisee's proposed role(s) if not already provided with an application form.	$\times$
Question 11	A separate sheet with the details of extra workplaces/locations (if applicable)	$\times$
Question 15	A separate sheet with the details of the anticipated progression through the supervised practice levels	$\times$
Question 16	A separate sheet if the issues to be addressed do not fit in the space provided.	$\times$
Question 18	The completed template of the supervised practice goals and activities (if applicable)	$\times$
Question 19	Reports of evidence of completing additional requirements	$\times$
Section K	If there are more than two alternate supervisors, a separate sheet with the signed and dated declaration for each extra alternate supervisor	$\mathbf{X}$



Please check to make sure your form is fully and accurately completed.

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Ahpra will review your form and either:

- return the form to you if it is incomplete
- request more information from you, or
- present your form for a decision.

You will be given notice of the decision.

## Notes to help in completing the plan

#### **NOTE A**

Supervised practice arrangements are tailored to consider the supervisee's circumstances, experience and learning needs.

Flexibility in the supervised practice arrangement is important to make sure diverse settings, complexities of different cases, individual capabilities and expectations are accommodated.

Examples of possible uses for the supervised practice levels and likely reporting timeframe are set out below. These are examples only and may not apply to all supervised practice arrangements approved by the Board.

The supervised levels are described in section 5 of the framework and *Appendix 4 - Supervised practice levels*. The framework is available on the relevant National Board website: https://www.ahpra.gov.au/National-Boards.aspx

Level	Example of possible uses of supervised practice levels	Examples of possible reporting frequency for supervised practice levels (this may be determined by the Board)
Direct	To determine the level of competence of the supervisee and inform further levels of supervised practice under a plan	<ul> <li>report monthly</li> <li>report at renewal</li> <li>report before progression to the next level is approved</li> <li>report before completion of supervised practice</li> </ul>
Indirect 1	<ul> <li>Arising from a Board registration standard</li> <li>To meet eligibility or suitability requirements</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>report after the initial 3 months of practice at this level</li> <li>report at renewal</li> <li>report before progression to the next level is approved</li> <li>report before completion of supervised practice</li> </ul>
Indirect 2	<ul> <li>Arising from a Board registration standard</li> <li>To meet eligibility or suitability requirements</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>report after the initial 3 months of practice at this level</li> <li>report at renewal</li> <li>report before progression to the next level is approved</li> <li>report before completion of supervised practice</li> </ul>
Remote	<ul> <li>Arising from a Board registration standard</li> <li>To meet eligibility or suitability requirements</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>report after the initial 3 months of practice at this level</li> <li>report at renewal</li> <li>report before progression to the next level is approved</li> <li>report before completion of supervised practice</li> </ul>

#### NOTE B

The frequency of consultation will depend on the level and purpose of supervised practice. For example, how many times you propose to meet with a supervisee when carrying out indirect 1, indirect 2 or remote levels of supervised practice.

#### NOTE C

The proposed hours of supervised practice, or number of patient contacts to be completed as part of supervised practice will depend on the level and purpose of supervised practice.

You may be required to provide proof of hours or patient contacts in the form of a de-identified log or roster.

#### **NOTE D**

How supervised practice will be provided may include: direct supervision of all assessments, discussion of treatment plan after assessment, observation of initial consultation and treatment, review of patient records and treatment plans, frequency of case reviews, teleconferences, frequency of meetings, professional education sessions, literature presentation and analysis, specific tasks set, group supervised practice/teaching/learning sessions, case presentation.

#### **NOTE E**

The criteria to progress to the next level of supervised practice should be based on competence. It may not be necessary to progress through each level of supervised practice. Examples of criteria may include:

- · Demonstrates competence under direct supervision, therefore suitable to move to indirect 1 supervised practice
- Demonstrates competence under indirect supervision, therefore suitable to move to indirect 2 supervised practice
- Demonstrates competence under indirect 2 supervision, therefore suitable to move to remote supervised practice

Some Boards may also require a minimum number of supervised practice hours or patient contacts as part of the criteria to progress to another level of supervised practice.

### **NOTE F**

Supervised practice may involve progression through levels. The time required at a supervised practice level before progression to another level will depend on the individual requirements of supervised practice and when the supervisee meets the criteria to progress, explained in Note E. You are required to give an estimate only. An example of an estimate of progression through the supervised practice levels is set out below. This is an example only and does not apply to all supervised practice arrangements approved by the National Board.

Direct: Anticipated timeframe at this level before progression to the next level if criteria to progress is met is 1 month

Indirect 1: Anticipated timeframe at this level before progression to the next level if criteria to progress is met is 5 months

Indirect 2: Anticipated timeframe at this level before progression to the next level if criteria to progress is met is 3 months

Remote: Anticipated timeframe at this level before completion of supervised practice if criteria is met is 3 months