**News Update**

**21 October 2024**

**Clinical Learning Australia - the ePortfolio for Prevocational Doctors**

**Clinical Learning Australia - the ePortfolio for prevocational doctors** is on track to go live for the start of the 2025 clinical year.

Clinical Learning Australia (CLA) is an online system that supports implementation of the [New National Framework for Prevocational (PGY1 and PGY2)](https://www.amc.org.au/accredited-organisations/prevocational-training/new-national-framework-for-prevocational-pgy1-and-pgy2-medical-training-2024/) Medical Training. CLA is a national system supporting prevocational medical training in all states and territories in Australia.

For more information go to [Clinical Learning Australia.](https://www.digitalhealth.gov.au/healthcare-providers/initiatives-and-programs/workforce-capability/clinical-learning-australia)

**National Registration and Accreditation Scheme (NRAS) Complexity Review Project**

Consultation Paper 1 for the NRAS Complexity Review was made available for feedback in September/October 2024 and a series of targeted consultations were also held throughout October.

A second consultation paper will be released with preferred solutions ahead of the review’s report to health ministers in April 2025.

The NRAS Complexity Review was established to ensure the National Scheme is fit for purpose with consistent decision-making and is supported by an efficient complaints management and disciplinary process. The review will also consider the appropriateness of entry criteria for new professions and options for the stewardship approach proposed by theKruk Review to improve the overall responsiveness and management of the National Scheme.

For further information including consultation papers visit the [project webpage](https://www.health.gov.au/our-work/independent-review-of-complexity-in-the-national-registration-and-accreditation-scheme).

**Audiology regulation impact statement project**

On 16 August 2024, the Ministerial Council considered the Audiology Decision Regulatory Impact Statement (RIS). Ministers agreed in-principle to inclusion of audiology in the National Registration and Accreditation Scheme, with further consultation and costings to be undertaken to inform final consideration and decision. This further work includes targeted consultation with stakeholders to consider issues including costs, implementation, risks, and impacts on First Nations communities.

The Queensland Health project team will progress this additional work on behalf of the Health Workforce Taskforce, with a planned update to the Ministerial Council in early 2025.

Targeted consultation to inform a final decision on the Audiology Decision RIS will occur from November 2024 through to early 2025. This consultation process will include interviews with select stakeholders. All other stakeholders will be invited to provide input via a public written submission process hosted on the Queensland Health website.

A Consultation Paper will be released to guide and inform the stakeholder consultation. The Consultation Paper will be hosted on the Queensland Health website.

**New chair for the Legislation Committee**

At the 5 September 2024 Taskforce meeting, Scott Bennett (HWT Victorian member) was nominated and endorsed as Chair of the Legislation Committee.

The Legislation Committee is the HWT subcommittee with responsibility for development and implementation of ministerial decisions to amend the Health Practitioner Regulation National Law.