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Invitation to make submissions - National Directory for Radiation Protection

Draft Amendment No. 5 to the National Directory for Radiation Protection

Radiation Protection Principles, Adoption of Veterinary
and Chiropractic Codes, and other matters

The Australian Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety Agency is inviting submissions on draft Amendment No. 5 to the [National Directory for Radiation Protection](#).

The aim of the Directory is to provide nationally uniform requirements for the protection of people and the environment against exposure or potential exposure to ionizing and non-ionizing radiation and for the safety of radiation sources, including provision for the national adoption of codes and standards. The Directory has been developed to address the needs of radiation protection regulators but it will also benefit other sectors involved in implementing radiation controls, such as mining and occupational health and safety regulators.

The most recent edition of the National Directory for Radiation Protection was published in December 2009.

Amendment No. 5 to the Directory clarifies that the ionizing radiation principles, and in particular the justification principle, do not apply to non-ionizing

radiation. It also proposes an amendment to Schedule 11 - adding two new referenced Codes of Practice (Veterinary Medicine and Chiropractors) for adoption by all jurisdictions within their respective regulatory frameworks. Amendments to Schedule 13 of a typographical and editorial nature are also included.

Comments are also invited on the accompanying Best Practice Regulation Preliminary Assessment.

The Draft Amendment and the Best Practice Regulation Preliminary Assessment can be downloaded from ARPANSA's web site at http://www.arpansa.gov.au/Publications/drafts/dr_ndrp5.cfm, or you can phone (03) 9433 2339 to request a free copy. Requests can also be made via the email address below.

Public submissions should be forwarded before 19 February 2010

and addressed to:

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ARPANSA
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Or by email to: secretariat@arpansa.gov.au
(Electronic submissions are preferred)

All submissions will be held in a register of submissions, and unless marked confidential, may be made public.

Additional information

The Australian Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety Agency recently published an updated edition of RPS No. 6 – the *National Directory for Radiation Protection, December 2009*.

This updated edition incorporates Amendments 1-3, endorsed by the Australian Health Ministers Council. An updated version of the Directory incorporating these amendments can be downloaded from our website at <http://www.arpansa.gov.au/Publications/codes/rps6.cfm>. This webpage also provides background information regarding the three amendments.

Draft [Amendment No. 4](#) was released for public consultation in October 2008 and is expected to be endorsed for publication sometime in the New Year.

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NHMRC RANZCR TRIP Fellowship

Translating Research into Practice (TRIP) Fellowship - RANZCR (RaER)

The National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) in partnership with The Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Radiologists (RANZCR) are offering a TRIP Fellowship for a future leader in the uptake of evidence into practice in radiology.

The NHMRC TRIP Fellowship awards provide support and training for future leaders in translating important research findings into clinical practice. The award supports protected time for clinicians in researching approaches to applying evidence to improve care, and develop the range of skills needed for leadership in research translation.

Fellows gain practical hands-on implementation experience by proposing and

undertaking an implementation research project. This is supported through training in implementing evidence, influencing and managing change and communicating research findings. Fellows also receive mentoring to assist in the development of leadership and project management skills.

Eligibility

The successful applicant must be a Radiologist, and a Fellow of the College, with a demonstrated commitment to and track record of improving the quality use of diagnostic imaging.

In addition to the criteria outlined in the NHMRC TRIP Fellowships 2010 Guide for Applicants, implementation research proposals should address an evidence-practice gap arising from frequently occurring errors identified through the Radiology Events Register. For information on the Radiology Events Register (RaER) see www.raer.org.

The Trip Partnership Award will be administered by the NHMRC with applications also reviewed by the RANZCR.

How to apply

Application information and documents are available from the NHMRC's website: www.nhmrc.gov.au/grants/apply/career/index.htm#d.

Note

This award is offered through a funding partnership between the NHMRC and the QUDI Program of the RANZCR. QUDI funding for this award is being provided by the Australian Government Department of Health and Ageing under the diagnostic imaging quality projects program.

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Call for Abstracts - ASM 2010

The Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Radiologists (RANZCR) invites abstract submissions for the 2010 Annual Scientific Meeting (ASM) to be held 14-17 October 2010, Perth, Western Australia.

The call opens next week, Thursday 28 January 2010, and abstracts for Educational and Scientific exhibits (posters) along with Oral presentations are requested.

RANZCR Perth 2010 promises to be an exciting meeting with a strong scientific program. For further information, including templates and theme options, please visit <http://www.ranzcr2010.com/>.



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ASM 2010 - RANZCR Round Table

A RANZCR Round Table session will be held at this year's Annual Scientific Meeting in Perth. It will provide an opportunity for members to raise matters they consider to be of importance to the practice of radiology and radiation oncology with other College members in an open public arena.

To have an item discussed at the Round Table, abstracts must be submitted as part of the Annual Scientific Meeting's abstract process. Authors of successful abstracts will be notified within six weeks of the submission deadline.

For further information, please contact Ms Pamela Taylor, Director of Communications and Membership at pamela.taylor@ranzcr.edu.au

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Funding for NSW Registrars to attend ASM

The NSW Branch Committee wishes to encourage presentation of papers and posters by NSW registrars at the College's Annual Scientific Meeting (ASM).

To this end, the Committee has agreed to provide a quantum of up to \$1,000 per registrar to assist in covering the costs of attending the ASM for those registrars who are selected for funding, to a maximum of four (4) per calendar year.

Any registrar currently employed at a RANZCR accredited NSW training site, who has submitted a paper or poster to the ASM Organising Committee, and had it accepted for presentation, will be eligible for funding support.

Funding will be available only to the registrar who will be presenting the paper or primarily supporting the poster, i.e. there will be funding for only one registrar connected with any single paper or poster.

Those successful in being awarded the funding are asked to develop their abstract into an original manuscript for submission in the *Journal of Medical Imaging and Radiation Oncology*.

Further details regarding selection criteria, selection process and funding arrangements will be circulated to all NSW registrars via an e-newsletter in the near future on finalisation of the award guidelines by the NSW Branch Committee.

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1 January 2010 MBS files available to download

The 1 January 2010 MBS files are now available to download from the following site:

www.health.gov.au/internet/mbsonline/publishing.nsf/Content/Downloads-201001

The following is a summary of changes for this January's release for the Diagnostic Imaging Services table:

- Some items in the range 55705 - 55774 have had the EMSN cap applied
- Two new items (58120 and 58121) have been introduced for radiographic examination of the spine
- Two items (58108 and 58115) for radiographic examination of the spine have an amended fee
- There has been an amendment to item 63464 to clarify eligibility to this item.

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Hospira Withers and Peters Fellowship Prize

Final reminder

Closing date for applications for the
Hospira Withers and Peters Fellowship Prize
Friday 5 February 2010

The purpose of the prize is to promote the culture of radiation oncology research among Fellows of the College

For more details, visit the [College website](#)

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MBS online - latest news articles

There are two new articles relating to the MBS Quality Framework Evaluation process, and the new Assisted Reproductive Technologies MBS item structure.

These can be found from the Latest News link below:

www.health.gov.au/internet/mbsonline/publishing.nsf/Content/Medicare-Benefits-Schedule-latest-news

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- car hire – rent through Europcar and save this summer! Three fantastic car rental deals to choose from
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- health insurance – Receive a 5% discount off your premium, plus enjoy a range of additional benefit services
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Upcoming meetings and events



2010

[The Management of Advanced Prostate Cancer](#)

Olympic Park, Sydney. 9 February 2010

[2010 Bladder and Kidney Cancer Symposium](#)

Melbourne VIC. 11-13 February 2010

[The Breast Course](#)

Phoenix, USA. 21-24 February 2010

[Introductory Cardiac CT and MR Course](#)

Surfers Paradise, QLD. 25-26 February 2010

[MSK Ultrasound](#)

Surfers Paradise, QLD. 27 February 2010

[Integrating Functional Imaging into Therapy Planning](#)

Liverpool Hospital, Sydney. 27 February 2010

[Cardiac Imaging Symposium](#)

Surfers Paradise, QLD. 27-28 February 2010

[ECR 2010](#)

Austria, Vienna. 4-8 March 2010

[Orthopaedic Imaging CME](#)

Nelson, New Zealand. 12-13 March 2010

[Series Masters in Radiology](#)

New York, USA. 18-19 March 2010

[Asian Oceanic Congress of Radiology 2010](#)

Taipei, Taiwan. 20-23 March 2010

[TROG 22nd Annual Scientific Meeting](#)

Queenstown, New Zealand. 24-27 March 2010

[26th International Congress of Radiology](#)

Shanghai, China. 9-12 April 2010

[AAFITN/ANZSNR Meeting](#)

Melbourne, VIC. 22-25 April 2010

[Joint Annual Meeting ISMRM-ESMRMB](#)

Stockholm, Sweden. 1-7 May 2010

[American Roentgen Ray Society Annual Meeting](#)

San Diego, USA. 2-7 May 2010

[Cardiovascular CT Conford Conference 2010](#)

Sydney, NSW. 20-21 May 2010

[RANZCR QLD Branch Annual Scientific Meeting](#)

Brisbane, QLD. 22 May 2010

[3rd Modelling of Tumours Meeting](#)

Adelaide, SA. 27-19 May 2010

[ESGAR 2010](#)

Dresden, Germany. 2-5 June 2010

[ASCO Annual Meeting](#)

Chicago, USA. 5-7 June 2010

[ESSR 2010](#)

Lille, France. 17-19 June 2010

[Best Practice Workshop in Urological Oncology](#)

Sydney Convention Centre, NSW. 18-19 June 2010

[RANZCR New Zealand Branch ASM](#)

Queenstown, NZ. 6-8 August 2010

[ESTRO 29](#)

Barcelona, Spain. 12-16 September 2010

[2010 ACORD Workshop](#)

Sunshine Coast, QLD. 12-17 September 2010

[ASUM Annual Ultrasound Congress 2010](#)

Gold Coast, QLD. 23-26 September 2010

[RANZCR 2010 Annual Scientific Meeting](#)

Perth, WA. 14-17 October 2010

[7th International Melanoma Research Congress](#)

Sydney, NSW. 4-7 November 2010

You'll find further information on these and other upcoming events on the [College Calendar](#).

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RANZCR 2010 Annual Scientific Meeting
14-17 October 2010
at the
Perth Convention Exhibition Centre

www.ranzcr2010.com

Call for Abstracts opens 28 January 2010



New Zealand Branch
Annual Scientific Meeting
Millennium Hotel, Queenstown, NZ
6-8 August 2010
www.ranzcr2010.co.nz



2010 ARRS Annual Meeting
2-7 May 2010

San Diego, USA
www.arrs.org



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