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## FACT SHEET NO. 5

### Reaccreditation for MMRs

#### Introduction

The PSA requires reaccrediting pharmacists to hold general registration with the Pharmacy Board of Australia. If there has been any change to your registration status, such as restrictions on practice, you must advise the PSA immediately.

Accredited pharmacists commit to career-long learning. Once pharmacists become accredited, they re-accredit annually to demonstrate that they are remaining current with knowledge and practice.

The PSA Reaccreditation model is based on a continuum where the tools used for accreditation and reaccreditation are consistent and provide for regular communication between accredited pharmacists and the PSA.

#### Requirements

The PSA is waiting on advice from the Department of Health and Aging around what requirements will be for reaccreditation.

A substantial but not unrealistic CPD requirement is a model in favour with other credentialing and professional bodies and is in line with current practice.

The PSA Reaccreditation CPD requirement is currently 60 credits. A MAXIMUM of twenty group one credits can be included in this total.

#### CPD activities

- The PSA will recognise the Pharmacy Board of Australia (PBA) classification for CPD activities and allocated CPD credit levels. All CPD activities entered on the PSA website for Reaccreditation should be classified as either group 1, 2 or 3.  
The activities can be defined as follows:
  - *Group 1:* Didactic presentations and activities with little or no attendee interaction will attract one CPD credit per hour of activity (e.g. attendance or listening to continuing education (CE) presentations, attendance at courses or conferences and journal reading).
  - *Group 2:* Activities where the accredited pharmacist's acquisition of knowledge or skills can be demonstrated through successful completion of some form of assessment will attract two CPD credits per hour of activity (e.g. MCQs related to CE events or journal reading (e.g. *Australian Pharmacist*), and formal postgraduate courses).

- *Group 3*: Activities where an assessment of existing practice and the needs and barriers to changes in this practice is undertaken prior to the development of a particular activity. As a result, the activity should address identified learning needs with a reflection post activity to evaluate practice change or outcomes resulting from the activity will attract three CPD credits per hour of activity (e.g. conference presentations, publication of a paper).
- Accredited pharmacists should maintain a CPD record which describes each CPD activity undertaken, listing the following for each activity:
  - Date of activity
  - Type of activity (e.g. journal article, seminar, lecture, workshop)
  - Topics covered during activity (specify all topics covered)
  - CPD Accreditation status (accredited or non-accredited) ○ Number of credits
- The PSA will accept both accredited and non-accredited CPD activities. Accredited CPD activities are those which are provided by, or have been accredited by, an Australian Pharmacy Council (APC) approved provider. Accredited CPD activities will show an APC CPD logo along with an official accreditation code.