

AMT Board Communique

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The AMT Board met via teleconference on 8 May 2014. This communiqué outlines the issues that were discussed at this meeting and decisions taken, as well as other points of interest.

This communiqué is published on the AMT website and emailed to a range of stakeholders. Please forward it to colleagues and any other parties who may be interested.

Practice resources for members

The Board approved a "Standard Abbreviations" template which will be made available to AMT members in the practice resources section of the AMT website. The aim of this resource is to assist members maintain compliance with AMT's Record Keeping standard, articulated in the AMT Code of Practice.

National Massage Therapy Awareness Week 2014

National Massage Therapy Awareness Week will take place in September. A press kit is being prepared to help members promote their practice. A series of public events will be coordinated via AMT's regional branches.

AMT-sponsored Continuing Education

AMT will host two international presenters in October and November. Bethany Ward and Larry Koliha from Advanced-Training.com are presenting at the AMT conference in Melbourne. After the conference, they will present a series of workshops in Canberra, Sydney and Tweed Heads. AMT members will benefit from discounted registration fees.

Medibank Private

AMT entered into a second round of legal negotiations with Medibank Private. AMT continues to seek changes to the Medibank addendum that will preserve existing provider privileges and align more closely with VET sector requirements for delivery and assessment of nationally-recognised training.

The AMT Board warmly acknowledges the support and loyalty of members during this negotiation process.

Disciplinary Matters

The AMT Board resolved to expel a member due to breaches of the AMT Code of Ethics. The member concerned admitted to committing health insurance fraud.

A number of AMT members are currently undergoing a desk audit of their record keeping.

Investigations into the operation of a chain of massage practices are ongoing.

Regional branches

The Board resolved to provide greater administrative support to one of AMT's regional branches, to help manage large attendances and increasingly burdensome registration processes at the commencement of each meeting.

