

# Renewal of Registration

## SA Nurses and Midwives

25 October 2010

The public register on the AHPRA website; [www.ahpra.gov.au](http://www.ahpra.gov.au) will show the new date of 31 May 2011 when nurses and midwives have renewed their registration.

*Please note that not all nurses and midwives in South Australia renewed their registration during August/September 2010. Under the transition arrangements to the National Registration and Accreditation Scheme, a nurse or midwife that is registered in more than one State or Territory, has their registration valid until the latest end date of their current registrations. These nurses and midwives will progressively renew their registration until all nurses and midwives in SA have an annual renewal date of 31 May 2011.*

## Changes to the Expiry of Registration

Under the *Health Practitioner Regulation National Law Act 2009* (the "National Law"), if a registered nurse, enrolled nurse or registered midwife applies to renew their registration, then their registration (including any endorsement), will remain valid pending a final decision about their application. Nurses or midwives who submitted an application for renewal with AHPRA before 30 September 2010, remain registered until their application is determined. If the application is approved, the period of registration starts on the day immediately after the applicant's previous expiry date (i.e 1 September 2010) and will be valid until 31 May 2011.

## Removal from the Register

Anyone who did not submit an application for renewal of registration with AHPRA by 30 September 2010 has had their name removed from the public register. Under the National Law, neither AHPRA nor the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia have any discretion about taking this action. AHPRA has written to all registrants who did not renew, confirming that their name has been removed from the register. If they wish to resume nursing or midwifery they must make a new application for registration, including providing proof of qualification, verification of identity and a criminal history check.

## Issuing a Certificate of Registration

A receipt for payment with a Certificate of Registration will be sent out to all nurses and midwives who have renewed their registration with AHPRA as soon as possible.

## Employer Access to Public Register

Employers can now access publicly available registration details of several thousand practitioners at once, so they can effectively and efficiently [check the registration status of their employees](#). The previous state registration numbers of nurses and midwives are now matched to their new national registration number.