Communiqué

Meeting of the Program Approval Committee of the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia held on 23 January 2018.

The Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia (the National Board or NMBA) is the national regulator for the nursing and midwifery professions in Australia. It is established under the Health Practitioner Regulation National Law,as in force in each state and territory([the National Law](http://www.ahpra.gov.au/Search.aspx?q=national%20law)). The NMBA approves programs of study that lead to registration and/or endorsement.

Approved programs of study leading to registration and/or endorsement

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| The NMBA has considered and approved the following programs of study in January 2017 |
| Full accreditation of nursing and midwifery programs for five years: |
| Education provider | Program | Campus |
| University of Notre Dame | Graduate Diploma of Midwifery | Fremantle - WA |
| Australian Centre of Further Education | Diploma of Nursing | Melbourne - VIC |
| Other amendments and matters for consideration for a nursing program:  |
| Education provider | Program | Campus |
| James Cook University | Bachelor of Nursing | Remove Thursday Island - QLD as an approved program site. |
| Moving an approved midwifery program of study from the NMBA Approved Programs of Study list into ‘inactive’: |
| Education provider | Program |
| University of Notre Dame | Graduate Diploma of Midwifery |
| Prolongation of accreditation for currently accredited nursing and midwifery programs |
| Education provider | Program | Expiry date | Revised expiry date |
| Education Training and Employment Australia (ETEA) | Initial Registration Course for Division 1 Overseas Registered Nurses | 01/02/2018 | 31/07/2018 |
| Australian College of Further Education (ACFE) | Initial Registration Course for Overseas Nurses - Registered Nurse | 06/03/2018 | 31/07/2018 |
| Australian College of Further Education (ACFE) | Return to Practice – Registered Nurse | 06/03/2018 | 31/07/2018 |
| Lonsdale Institute | Initial Registration Course for Overseas Nurses - Registered Nurse | 06/02/2018 | 31/07/2018 |
| San College of Education | Registered Nurse Re-entry program | 25/04/2018 | 31/07/2018 |

An [online search](http://www.nursingmidwiferyboard.gov.au/Accreditation/Approved-programs-of-study.aspx) is available for all approved programs of study leading to registration and endorsement as an enrolled nurse (EN), registered nurse (RN) and/or midwife. You can also search for approved programs of study leading to endorsements for RNs and midwives.

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