

**Reprint
as at 31 July 2014**



Health Practitioners (Quality Assurance Activity—Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Psychiatrists’ Peer Review Groups) Notice 2009

(SR 2009/226)

Health Practitioners (Quality Assurance Activity—Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Psychiatrists’ Peer Review Groups) Notice 2009: revoked, on 31 July 2014, pursuant to section 54(4) of the Health Practitioners Competence Assurance Act 2003 (2003 No 48).

Pursuant to section 54 of the Health Practitioners Competence Assurance Act 2003, the Minister of Health, being satisfied of the matters set out in section 54(3) of that Act, gives the following notice.

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Note

Changes authorised by subpart 2 of Part 2 of the Legislation Act 2012 have been made in this official reprint.

Note 4 at the end of this reprint provides a list of the amendments incorporated.

This notice is administered by the Ministry of Health.

Notice

- 1 Title**
This notice is the Health Practitioners (Quality Assurance Activity—Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Psychiatrists' Peer Review Groups) Notice 2009.
- 2 Commencement**
This notice comes into force on the day after the date of its notification in the *Gazette*.
- 3 Declaration of protected quality assurance activity**
The Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Psychiatrists' Peer Review Groups Activity described in the Schedule is a protected quality assurance activity.
- 4 Revocation**
The Health Practitioners (Quality Assurance Activity: Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Psychiatrists) Notice 2004 (SR 2004/262) is revoked.

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Description of The Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Psychiatrists' Peer Review Groups Activity

- 1 Objective**
The objective of the activity is to improve the practices and competence of health professionals engaged in the activity by assessing the health services performed by those health practitioners.
- 2 Method**
 - (1) The activity is based on information derived from health practitioners who participate in the activity and who are—
 - (a) fellows of The Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Psychiatrists; or

- (b) registered with, or members of a group registered with, The Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Psychiatrists.
- (2) The activity involves—
 - (a) reviewing, analysing, and monitoring clinical work through peer review; and
 - (b) identifying and analysing adverse outcomes, in the context of peer review; and
 - (c) making recommendations on how the health practitioners who are engaging in the activity can improve their performance so as to—
 - (i) improve the quality of care they provide; and
 - (ii) reduce the incidence of adverse outcomes; and
 - (d) facilitating and monitoring the implementation of any such recommendations.

Dated at Wellington this 31st day of July 2009.

Hon Tony Ryall,
Minister of Health.

Explanatory note

This note is not part of the notice, but is intended to indicate its general effect.

This notice, which comes into force on the day after the date of its notification in the *Gazette*, declares the quality assurance activity called The Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Psychiatrists' Peer Review Groups Activity to be a protected quality assurance activity. The effect of this declaration is that—

- any information that becomes known solely as a result of the activity is confidential; and
- any documents brought into existence solely for the purposes of the activity are confidential; and

- the persons who engage in the activity in good faith are immune from civil liability.

The protections afforded by this notice are subject to certain statutory exceptions. For example, this notice does not prohibit the disclosure of information that does not identify, either expressly or by implication, a particular individual.

Under section 54 of the Health Practitioners Competence Assurance Act 2003, this notice remains in force for a period of 5 years after the date on which it is issued, unless it is sooner revoked.

An earlier notice (SR 2004/262) declared The Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Psychiatrists’ Peer Review Group Activity to be a protected quality assurance activity. That notice has an expiry date of 26 August 2009 and is revoked.

Issued under the authority of the Legislation Act 2012.
Date of notification in *Gazette*: 27 August 2009.

Reprints notes

1 *General*

This is a reprint of the Health Practitioners (Quality Assurance Activity—Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Psychiatrists' Peer Review Groups) Notice 2009 that incorporates all the amendments to that notice as at the date of the last amendment to it.

2 *Legal status*

Reprints are presumed to correctly state, as at the date of the reprint, the law enacted by the principal enactment and by any amendments to that enactment. Section 18 of the Legislation Act 2012 provides that this reprint, published in electronic form, has the status of an official version under section 17 of that Act. A printed version of the reprint produced directly from this official electronic version also has official status.

3 *Editorial and format changes*

Editorial and format changes to reprints are made using the powers under sections 24 to 26 of the Legislation Act 2012. See also <http://www.pco.parliament.govt.nz/editorial-conventions/>.

4 *Amendments incorporated in this reprint*

Health Practitioners Competence Assurance Act 2003 (2003 No 48): section 54(4)
