

## Notice of change to the provisional and general registration standard

## Retirement of the 4+2 pathway to general registration

On 3 April 2019 the Ministerial Council approved the revised provisional and general registration standards that remove the 4+2 internship pathway as a pathway to general registration. The new standards will take effect on 1 January 2029.

The last cohort of 4+2 interns permitted to be registered as a *provisional psychologist* is on 30 June 2022. From this date, no new applications for provisional registration through the 4+2 internship pathway will be accepted.

The last day for a person to apply for *general registration* through the 4+2 internship pathway is 30 June 2027.<sup>1</sup>

An additional six months will be allowed for administration and processing of applications until 31 December 2027.

There will be grace period for a maximum of twelve months until 31 December 2028 to allow for any additional administration and processing of applications, including for the administration of approved leave under the <a href="Extended leave provisions for provisional psychologists">Extended leave provisions for provisional psychologists</a> policy.<sup>2</sup>

On 1 January 2029, the new approved registration standards will no longer refer to the 4+2 internship program.

Applications for general registration from applicants who have successfully completed the 4+2 internship cannot be accepted once the new standard is in force.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The <u>Guidelines for the 4+2 internship program</u> allow five years to complete the two-year internship.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Consistent with the Board's <u>Extended leave provisions for provisional psychologists</u>, the Board would consider extension to the five-year maximum on a case-by-case basis for a maximum of twelve months from the date of renewal of registration. All applications for extension must be approved before 30 June 2027 and can extend no longer than 31 December 2028.