

## Selected Articles from Newsletters of IAMRA Members

### 1) New mandatory reporting requirements in New South Wales, Australia

Reforms in the Medical Practice Amendment Act of 2008, recently passed by the New South Wales (NSW) Parliament, include a mandatory requirement that registered doctors report to the NSW Medical Board in cases of misconduct by other practitioners. Reportable misconduct includes practicing medicine while intoxicated, sexual misconduct, and departure from accepted professional standards of practice.

Read the full article in the July 2008 issue of NSW Medical Board's *Board News* at [www.nswmb.org.au/index.pl?page=77](http://www.nswmb.org.au/index.pl?page=77).

### 2) Disciplinary case in Victoria: Physician found in violation of professional standards for initiating discussions about religion

A case came before a professional standards panel in Australia after a physician introduced religious beliefs during consultation with a patient on sleep disorder. The panel found that, in doing so, the physician breached the boundaries of professional conduct.

Read the full article in the September 2008 volume of Medical Practitioners Board of Victoria's *Bulletin* at [www.medicalboardvic.org.au/content.php?sec=66](http://www.medicalboardvic.org.au/content.php?sec=66).

### 3) "Licensing: The countdown begins" in the United Kingdom

A summary of what has been described as "the most significant reform of medical regulation in 150 years" in the UK.

Read the full article in the September/October 2008 issue of the General Medical Council's *GMCToday* at [www.gmc-uk.org/publications/gmc\\_today/gmc\\_today\\_archive.asp](http://www.gmc-uk.org/publications/gmc_today/gmc_today_archive.asp).

### 4) "New requirements for certificates of good standing" in New Zealand

In New Zealand, due to changes in requirements for certificates of good standing (CGS), doctors applying for registration must supply a CGS from each jurisdiction in which they registered in the last five years. Also, if doctors disclose competence, conduct, or health concerns, they must supply a CGS from the jurisdiction that registered the doctor at that time, regardless of time elapsed.

Read the full article in the June 2008 issue of Medical Council of New Zealand's *Medical Council News* at [www.mcnz.org.nz/News/tabid/55/Default.aspx](http://www.mcnz.org.nz/News/tabid/55/Default.aspx).

### 5) Physician re-entry program in Oregon

Oregon Health & Science University's Physician Re-entry Program is aimed to address Oregon's need for physicians. This program assists previously trained doctors with expired licenses to retrain and re-apply for a license.

Read the full article in the Summer 2008 volume of the Oregon Medical Board's *Report* at [www.oregon.gov/OMB/2008newsletters.shtml](http://www.oregon.gov/OMB/2008newsletters.shtml).