

**MEETING OF THE OPTOMETRISTS & DISPENSING OPTICIANS BOARD
HELD AT LEVEL 7, 22 WILLESTON STREET, WELLINGTON
AT 9:00 AM ON FRIDAY THE 17 AUGUST 2018**

Meeting Attendees:

Chairperson: Jayesh Chouhan

Optometrist Members: Jennifer Craig, Ross Tayler, Annette Morgan

Dispensing Optician Members: Lorraine Helson, Kristine Hammond

Lay Members: Irene Durham

Board staff in attendance:

Registrar: Lindsey Pine

Deputy Registrar: Annette McCoy

Minute taker: Jacqui Devery

Visitor: Rachael Heslop

Summary of key meeting decisions/matters discussed:

A number of practitioner cases were considered at this Board meeting, limiting time spent on other general Board business. As indicated on the Board's website, decisions relating to individual practitioners discussed at Board meetings are confidential between the Board and the practitioner under the Privacy Act 1993 and are therefore not included or referenced in these summaries.

Draft revised standards of clinical competence for optometrists

The Board made final amendments to the draft revised Standards of Clinical Competence for Optometrists and the consultation document will be sent out shortly.

UNSW prescribed qualification - optometry

The Board received an update from OCANZ on this qualification and reviewed and approved a draft consultation document for publication, detailing an amendment to the optometry qualification provided by the University of New South Wales, Australia. This will be sent out shortly for consultation.

New Website and Portal

The Board received and discussed a quote for the redevelopment of the Board's out of date website and practitioner portal. The Board agreed it is an opportune time to redevelop the website and Portal, with an aim of having both live and ready for use in time for 2019 renewals.