

# AHPCSA

## CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT (CPD)

### CALL FOR CPD PROGRAMME APPROVAL

The Allied Health Professions Council of South Africa (AHPCSA) is a statutory health body established in terms of the Allied Health Professions Act, 63 of 1982 (the Act) in order to control all allied health professions, which includes Ayurveda, Chinese Medicine and Acupuncture, Chiropractic, Homeopathy, Naturopathy, Osteopathy, Phytotherapy, Therapeutic Aromatherapy, Therapeutic Massage Therapy, Therapeutic Reflexology and Unani-Tibb.

The AHPCSA would like to call all prospective CPD service providers to apply for the approval of suitable courses and CPD activities. Service providers may be voluntary associations, accredited tertiary institutions, private providers and other parties.

<p>The Council will only approve CPD activities where the following aspects are adequately covered by the provider:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Activities serve to maintain or enhance the knowledge, skills, work experience and competence of participants.</li> <li>ii. Activities are aimed at meeting individual needs for professional development, public needs for improved services and national needs for health development.</li> <li>iii. Activities meet both educational and professional development needs.</li> <li>iv. Activities clearly specify the participation of particular professions and reflect it in the content of activity.</li> <li>v. The depth and breadth of the subject matter is appropriate, with sufficient time for discussion.</li> <li>vi. The subject matter covered provides a balanced view and is not unduly promotional.</li> <li>vii. The presenter has proven practical and academic experience and is assessed to be a good communicator;</li> <li>viii. Evaluation forms for obtaining feedback on the activity are provided for rating of the relevance, quality and effectiveness of the activity.</li> </ol> <p><b>Only programmes meeting the above criteria will be approved by the AHPCSA.</b></p>	<p><b>THE APPROVAL CRITERIA</b></p> <p>CPD providers are required to submit their application which will include details of the proposed activities to the AHPCSA. The Professional Boards will evaluate the content, CPD credit value and other relevant issues.</p> <p>The detailed information must include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Proposed programmes of activities indicating hours, or points, to be gained with respect to each programme component;</li> <li>b. Specified relevant fields in which CPD activities and programmes will be conducted and for which validation is sought;</li> <li>c. Details of the representation, expertise, general infrastructure and resources available within the applicant's organisation to ensure sustained excellence in the delivery of the CPD activities and programmes;</li> <li>d. Specified levels of development need to be met by the CPD activity.</li> </ol> <p>All programmes submitted by CPD providers for approved must be in line with the recommended AHPCSA core knowledge and non-core knowledge courses.</p> <p>For full details on the AHPCSA CPD Policy Framework visit our website: <a href="http://www.ahpcsa.co.za">www.ahpcsa.co.za</a> under Tab&gt; Continuing Professional Development (CPD)&gt;Service Provider Application. Enquiries: <a href="mailto:cpd@ahpcsa.co.za">cpd@ahpcsa.co.za</a></p>
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**SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL EFFECTIVE 1 JULY 2013  
APPLICATIONS FOR APPROVAL CAN BE SUBMITTED TO:**

**HAND DELIVERY**

AHPCSA  
Castelli Suite,  
Il Villaggio 5 De Havilland Crescent South,  
Persequer Technopark,  
Pretoria

**POST**

**The Registrar**  
AHPCSA  
Private Bag X4  
Queenswood  
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