



## *Expressions of Interest*

# *Appointments to the Chinese Medicine Registration Board of Victoria*

The Victorian Minister for Health, the Hon. John Thwaites, MP, is seeking persons interested in being appointed to the Chinese Medicine Registration Board of Victoria. The Board is a new board, established under the *Chinese Medicine Registration Act 2000*. Its purpose is to protect the public by registering Chinese medicine practitioners (including acupuncturists and Chinese herbalists) and Chinese herbal dispensers, accrediting training courses in Chinese medicine, and holding investigations into the professional conduct and fitness of registered Chinese medicine practitioners to practice.

### **Composition of the Board:**

The Board is to be made up of nine members: six registered Chinese medicine practitioners, two persons who are not Chinese medicine practitioners, and one lawyer.

### **Selection Criteria:**

The six Chinese medicine practitioners appointed to the Board will preferably possess a broad range of Chinese medicine experience across all three divisions of registration: Chinese herbal medicine, acupuncture and Chinese herbal dispensing.

The lawyer must be a person admitted to practise as a barrister and solicitor of the Supreme Court. A sound knowledge of administrative law, procedures of disciplinary tribunals and an understanding of health issues will be an advantage.

Chinese language skills are an advantage. The Act states that 'at least 2 members of the Board must be able to communicate in English and either Mandarin or any other Chinese dialect'.

### **Term of Appointment:**

The *Chinese Medicine Registration Act 2000* provides for members of the Board to hold office for no more than three years from the date of appointment. Members are eligible for reappointment.

### **Remuneration:**

Members of the Board will be paid sitting fees as determined by the Governor-in-Council.

### **Applications:**

Applications must be made on the prescribed application form in English. Please include a curriculum vitae and a letter detailing what you can contribute to the Board. A certified English translation of any overseas qualifications is required.

For application forms and further information please contact:

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### **Applications should be sent to:**

The Hon. John Thwaites MP  
Minister for Health  
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All applications must be submitted by Friday, 28 July 2000.