

## Pharmacist Prescribing

### Perspective from the Australian Association of Consultant Pharmacy

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## About the AACP

- Jointly owned by the PSA and Guild
- Credentialing and Accreditation body
  - ▣ Principle objects of the organisation are to:
    - Develop, implement and administer assessment, credentialing and accreditation procedures for the practice of consultant pharmacy
- Credentialing body for the pharmacy profession in Australia

## Competencies

- Pharmacist prescribing model(s) should have a set of competencies by which they are independently assessed.
- A rigorous credentialing and re-credentialing process should form part of any pharmacist prescribing model.

## Assessment

- AACP has the infrastructure and expertise to implement a nationally recognised assessment program for pharmacist prescribing
- What our organisation desires is a collaborative approach to training and competency development.
- For example, the major pharmacy organisations have been working collaboratively together on the Competency Standards for Pharmacists 2010

## Advanced Practice Framework

- Working collaboratively under an advanced practice framework
  - Competencies
  - Credentialing
  - Recognition of the credential
    - Pharmacy Board of Australia
    - Legislation
    - Remuneration

## Final thoughts

- AACP needs to do more work in this area.
- We need to actively collaborate with leading organisations, individuals and training providers to develop prescribing model(s).
- We have the same vision as others to have pharmacist prescribers contributing to the safe and effective use of medicines.