

RECOGNITION REQUIREMENTS FOR PROVIDERS OF ACUPUNCTURE & CHINESE HERBAL MEDICINE

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Please apply for recognition through your professional association.

Acupuncturist and Chinese Herbal Medicine practitioners must meet the following requirements:

- Continuously hold registration with the Chinese Medicine Board of Australia;
- Continuously hold a current First Aid Certificate (HLTAID011);
- Belong to one of the professional associations referred to in the table below and adhere to the membership requirements for that association;
- Meet the training and education requirements set out in the table below (providers who are currently recognised and have been continuously recognised since before 1 July 2009 are deemed to meet our training and education requirements);
- Comply with **Terms and Conditions** for HCF Recognised Providers of Extras Services as amended from time to time.

TRAINING/EDUCATION	ASSOCIATION	LEVEL OF MEMBERSHIP
An approved Acupuncture or Chinese Herbal Medicine qualification from one or more of the <i>Chinese Medicine Board of Australia</i> Approved Programs of Study	Australian Acupuncture and Chinese Medicine Association (AACMA)	Practising, associate member
	Australian Traditional Medicine Society (ATMS)	Accredited Level
	Australian Natural Therapists Association (ANTA)	Member, fellow member
	Chinese Medicine & Acupuncture Society of Australia (CMASA)	Full member

Courses delivered substantially online, or by distance education are not accepted.

If you have qualified overseas:

HCF accepts overseas trained Acupuncturists and Chinese Herbal Medicine practitioners registered with the Chinese Medicine Board of Australia, please contact the Chinese Medicine Board of Australia directly for further information.

Please note:

Our provider recognition is not automatically granted and is subject to providers satisfactorily meeting the HCF Recognition Criteria and abiding by our HCF Recognised Provider Terms and Conditions. Thus, HCF, in its absolute discretion, reserves the right to decline applications for provider recognition or delist a provider for benefit purposes in accordance with its rules.

Do you have a question? Contact the HCF Provider Relations team:

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