

24 June 2011



Mr David Crofts
23 Brisbane St
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Dear Mr Crofts

The purpose of this letter is to respond to your email dated 13 June 2011 regarding Dr William Orchard.

In your email, you state:

'I write to object to the treatment of Dr William Henry Orchard...Please arrange for the counseling of those responsible and report to me its outcome.'

On 17 September 2010, the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal ('VCAT') made orders in respect of Dr Orchard's application for review of a decision of the Professional Standards Panel. In particular, VCAT ordered that:

'Counsel for Dr Orchard having informed the Tribunal that Dr Orchard intends to retire from medical practice six months after the date of this Order, pursuant to s.63(2)(f) of the Health Professions Registration Act 2005 a condition is to be imposed on Dr Orchard's registration that on or before 17 March 2011, Dr Orchard is to surrender his registration by providing written notice to the Medical Board of Australia pursuant to s137 of the Health Practitioner Regulation National Law (Victoria) Act 2009'.

Dr Orchard has since surrendered his registration and, accordingly, Dr Orchard is no longer registered as a medical practitioner.

AHPRA has no jurisdiction to review a decision of VCAT or to counsel or take any other action against VCAT members.

Thank you for your correspondence.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Richard Mullaly", is written over a blue ink stamp that also reads "Richard Mullaly".

Richard Mullaly

Victorian State Manager - AHPRA

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