

## Australian Dental Council welcomes Michael Guthrie to its executive management team

**Melbourne, Victoria, 9 March 2018:** The Australian Dental Council is pleased to announce the appointment of Michael Guthrie to the role of Director, Accreditation and Quality Assurance commencing 13 March 2018.

Previously Director of Policy and Standards with the Health and Care Professions Council (HCPC) in the United Kingdom, Michael is well regarded in the international accreditation and regulation sectors for his work in the review, development and implementation of regulatory standards in healthcare.

In addition to his accreditation work with HCPC, Michael was responsible for leading the organisation's research strategy, and successfully implemented a program of commissioned research which positioned the HCPC as an evidence informed regulator.

Furthering his professional work, Michael has also published articles on the role of regulation in the sociology of the professions and the challenges regulators face in delivering the prevention agenda.

According to Narelle Mills, CEO of the ADC, Michael's appointment to the organisation's executive management team comes at a time where accreditation in Australia has been a focal point, following the recent reviews of professional accreditation both within the National Registration and Accreditation Scheme and more broadly.

"This is an exciting time for Michael to be joining our team and to add his international perspective to our already highly performing team. On behalf of the ADC, I would like to welcome Michael to the organisation. We all look forward to working with him during this time of significant opportunity," she said.

To find out more about the ADC's accreditation processes, please visit the organisation's website at [adc.org.au](http://adc.org.au)

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**About the Australian Dental Council**

Formed in 1993, the Australian Dental Council (ADC) is an independent organisation appointed by the Dental Board of Australia (DBA) to conduct assessment and accreditation functions for the dental professions under the National Registration and Accreditation Scheme (NRAS).

The ADC is an independent not-for-profit company limited by guarantee under the Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC). It holds charity status under the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission (ACNC) and is funded by a grant from the DBA and fee for service activities.

The Council recognises the value of a diverse and skilled workforce and is committed to creating and maintaining an inclusive culture which draws on the backgrounds, experiences and perspectives of its people to enhance its decision making.

Current members of the ADC include key professional bodies, academic bodies and other members of the Australian dental profession.