The Australian Curriculum: Health and Physical Education Advisory Group Members

Call for Expressions of Interest to be placed on a Register of advisory group members

The Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority is seeking nominations from curriculum and school authorities and professional bodies; and interest from suitably qualified and experienced individuals, for inclusion on a register of advisory group members for Health and Physical Education.

Advisory group members will have extensive knowledge, understanding and expertise in the area of Health and Physical Education and some experience in the development of curriculum and/or assessment standards.

The advisory group will assist ACARA and the Health and Physical Education curriculum writers by providing advice on draft curriculum including content descriptions, elaborations and achievement standards at key stages in the curriculum development process.

The process will begin in August 2012 and continue through to August 2013. During this period, the advisory group will meet on a number of occasions including by teleconference and videoconference. Between these times advisors will also undertake work remotely. The first meeting of the advisory group will take place over four days in Sydney between 7 and 10 August 2012 and will include a program of induction.

The advisory group will comprise up to 12 subject/learning area experts across F-12 drawn from schools, universities, curriculum authorities, professional associations and organisations. ACARA will select advisory group members from the Register of expressions of interest. Final selection will take account of:

- expertise in the subject/learning area
- experience in development of curriculum and/or achievement standards
- representation across the stages of schooling
- representation of teachers and non-teachers.

Upon selection, advisory group members will complete a contract that includes a declaration of any perceived conflict of interest and a formal undertaking that they will maintain confidentiality in relation to the project being undertaken.

**CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT PROCESS**

The writing phase of the curriculum development process is managed by ACARA curriculum staff and involves a team of writers, supported by an expert advisory group and ACARA curriculum staff, developing the draft Australian curriculum: Health and Physical
Education. This work includes the development of content descriptions and achievement standards for Health and Physical Education from Foundation to Year 12. Writers are guided by ACARA’s Curriculum Design Paper and advice from the Advisory group and the ACARA Board. The draft Australian curriculum for the learning area is released for public consultation and the writing team in the light of consultation feedback makes subsequent revisions. The writing stage culminates in publication of the Australian curriculum for the learning area.


Lodging an expression of interest

To register, please download and complete the application form at www.acara.edu.au/hpe.html including two referees who would attest to your experience, expertise and success in working in a collaborative process and attach your curriculum vitae.

All applications should be emailed to: hpe@acara.edu.au by 5:00pm (AEST) Sunday 20 May 2012. Please ensure you include Health and Physical Education EOI Writers/Advisors in the subject line of the email.

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