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The Hon Christopher Pyne, Australian Government Minister for Education and Training as the Minister responsible for the Australian Qualifications Framework, approved minor amendments to the AQF Issuance Policy so that the exceptions to the policy include permission to use the title 'Doctor of ...' for the Masters Degree (Extended) qualifications of Doctor of Podiatric Medicine and Doctor of Clinical Podiatry.

Accordingly, this addendum adds one further note (inserted as note iii) to the noted exceptions on page 72 of the AQF Second Edition January 2013, and the previous note (iii) has been renumbered as note (iv):

*Exceptions⁶:

- i The use of the qualification title 'Juris Doctor' is permitted for a Masters Degree (Extended) for legal practice.
- ii The use of the qualification title 'Doctor of ...' is permitted for a Masters Degree (Extended) for five professions: medical practice; physiotherapy; dentistry; optometry and veterinary practice.
- iii The use of the qualification title 'Doctor of ...' is permitted for a Masters Degree (Extended) for two qualifications: Doctor of Podiatric Medicine and Doctor of Clinical Podiatry.
- iv Further exceptions may be permitted in accordance with the *AQF Qualification Type Addition and Removal Policy*.

6 Ministerial Council for Tertiary Education and Employment (MCTEE), 19 November 2010; Ministerial approval December 2014.

Implementation arrangements

The implementation arrangements for this addendum are as per the Australian Qualifications Framework Second Edition January 2013, namely:

- All requirements for the qualifications types will be met from 1 January 2015
- From 1 January 2015 all new enrolments will be in qualifications that meet the requirements of the AQF specifications for all qualification types.

Transition arrangements

As there is no change of policy in regard to the amendments of the Masters Degree Specification, issuing organisations that are compliant with the Australian Qualifications Framework Second Edition January 2013 are deemed compliant with amended Masters Degree Specifications March 2014.

Copies of the communication to all higher education providers and a set of frequently asked questions regarding the amendments can be found on the AQF website www.aqf.edu.au

