

## **Podiatrists Registration Board of Tasmania**

### **Policy For Provision Of Names And Addresses Of Podiatrists**

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#### **Background**

Access to information in the Register of Podiatrists is outlined in the Podiatrists Registration Act 1995. Section 33 deals with persons being permitted to inspect the register and/or obtain extracts from the Register. Section 34 deals with information that the Board may publish, including a copy of the Register. Section 35 protects the private addresses of podiatrists – the private address is not to be provided without the permission from the person concerned. A fee may be charged.

#### **Current Situation**

The Board has provided information to parties including

Health Funds  
Universities  
Australian Podiatry Association – Tasmania  
Suppliers of podiatry products

The principle of protecting the privacy of podiatrists is recognised in this policy. Providing the public with ready access to the registration status of podiatrists is also supported. Providing details to the professional association and for research purposes is supported in some quarters and considered to be a higher priority than giving this information for commercial purposes.

#### **Policy**

1. The name and date of registration of podiatrists is placed on the Boards website.
2. The name and business addresses of podiatrists are made available for podiatry professional development purposes or academic research for a fee. The fee to be \$100 plus GST.
3. A mail out facility is offered at a commercial fee for organisations who wish to communicate with all registered podiatrists. The fee levied by the Board is \$250. The requirements for mail out is;
  - Mail to be forwarded must be sealed in a plain non-addressed postage paid envelope with no logos or clients return address.

- Each envelope must have the Board’s return address already affixed – Podiatrists Registration Board of Tasmania, PO Box 240, CLAREMONT TAS 7011

- Mail to the registrant must include the following statement –

*“[Your company] advises that the Podiatrists Board of Tasmania has co-operated with [your company] by producing a mailing label, affixing it to this correspondence as supplied by [your company] in a prepaid registered envelope and lodging it with Australia Post. The Board has not disclosed your name, address or other information to [your company] in providing this service.*

- The Podiatrists Registration Board of Tasmania does not guarantee the receipt of the mailed correspondence by the addressee.

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Chairperson