



Nurse Education in the Tertiary Sector

SUBMISSION, from **Nurse Education in the Tertiary Sector (NETS)**

Proposed Framework for Nurse Prescribing

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comment on the **Proposed Framework for Nurse Prescribing** consultation document.

Following meetings of the National Nursing Organisations hosted by the Nursing Council of New Zealand regarding nurse prescribing, NETS considered the framework as outlined at the meeting of 5 August 2009.

1. NETS agrees with the definition of collaborative prescribing, as “ collaborative prescribing is where a non-prescribing health practitioner, after authorisation from their registration authority, may prescribe under the supervision of an authorised prescriber” (Consultation Document, MoH, 2007, <http://www.moh.govt.nz/moh.nsf/indexmh/collaboarive-prescribing-developemnt-consultation-march07>)
2. NETS supports the framework for nurse-prescribing as outlined and minuted (p.3) for the meeting of 5 August 2009.
3. NETS agrees that the following three points need to be embedded in Regulations:
 - All nurse Practitioners with prescribing approval become authorised prescribers;
 - All registered nurses be able to prescribe over-the-counter medications; and that
 - Nurse-prescribers will be regulated by the Regulatory Authority.

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