



Australian Government

Department of Immigration
and Citizenship

Application for a Professional Development visa

Form

1227

Life in Australia – Australian values

The Australian Government encourages people to gain an understanding of Australia, its people and their way of life, before applying for a visa to live in Australia. As part of this application every person aged 18 years or over must declare that they will respect Australian values, as outlined below and obey the laws of Australia.

Australian values include respect for the freedom and dignity of the individual, freedom of religion, commitment to the rule of law, Parliamentary democracy, equality of men and women and a spirit of egalitarianism that embraces mutual respect, tolerance, fair play and compassion for those in need and pursuit of the public good.

Australian society also values equality of opportunity for individuals, regardless of their race, religion or ethnic background.

It is also important to understand that English is the national language.

Further information is contained in the *Life in Australia* booklet, however, you are not required to read the booklet. The booklet is available in a wide range of languages. If you would like a copy of the booklet it can be obtained from www.immi.gov.au

About this form

Please ensure that all questions on this form are answered and all requested information attached. The Department of Immigration and Citizenship (the department) may decide your application on the basis of the information provided in this application alone.

Important – Please read this information carefully before you complete your application. Once you have completed your application we strongly advise that you keep a copy for your records.

ALL forms are available from the department's website www.immi.gov.au/allforms/ or from the nearest office of the department.

Who should use this form?

This form is an application for a Professional Development (subclass 470) visa. Parties required to fill out the form include the visa applicant and the sponsoring organisation in Australia. Once completed, the form can only be lodged by an approved Professional Development Sponsor on behalf of the nominated visa applicant.

Who can lodge applications?

Only approved Professional Development Sponsors (or their registered Migration agents) can lodge visa applications.

Integrity of application

The department is committed to maintaining the integrity of the visa and citizenship programs. Please be aware that if you provide us with fraudulent documents or claims, this may result in processing delays and possibly your application being refused.

Who can apply?

A Professional Development visa applicant:

- must be employed or invited by an eligible overseas employer that is party to a Professional Development Agreement with the Professional Development Sponsor;
- must have managerial or other professional skills relevant to the Professional Development Program;
- must be sponsored by an approved Professional Development Sponsor that has not withdrawn from the Professional Development Agreement and that is not the subject of a bar;
- must have a genuine intention to undertake the training;
- must have a genuine intention to comply with the visa conditions and depart Australia at the end of the visa period; and
- will be required to meet general health and character requirements.

For details on eligible overseas employers see form 1228i *Professional Development*.

How to apply

Step 1

An organisation in Australia wishing to sponsor people to undertake a Professional Development Program in Australia under this visa class must first apply to the department for approval as a Professional Development Sponsor. See information form 1228i *Professional Development* and form 1226 *Application for approval as a Professional Development Sponsor*.

Step 2

After approval of the sponsor, applications for Professional Development visas must be lodged by the approved sponsor. Each visa application must include all of the following:

- a completed and signed form 1227;
- the appropriate Visa Application Charge;
- 4 recent passport sized photographs of the applicant;
- a copy of the applicant's passport biodata page; and
- further documentation as requested at Part G.

Conditions on Professional Development visas

Successful applicants will be granted multiple entry visas for the duration of their Professional Development Program and time to make arrangements to leave Australia after the completion of their program. If visa holders leave and return to Australia during the period of their program, they should ensure that they re-enter Australia before the expiry of their visa.

All Professional Development visas granted will by law have a list of conditions attached to the visa. Refer to Part I on page 16 for the list of conditions attached to this visa.

Sponsors should ensure that visa holders are aware of the conditions attached to their visas, as a breach of visa conditions may lead to sanctions being imposed against the sponsor. **It is not a reasonable excuse to say that the visa holder was not aware of the conditions.**

Health Insurance

A requirement of this visa is that all applicants are covered by adequate health insurance for the period of their stay in Australia. Evidence of this insurance is to be attached to this form as requested at Question 37.

Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC) is not appropriate for Professional Development visa applicants.

Visa applicant's family members

An applicant's family members are not able to apply for this visa as dependents. Should an applicant's family members wish to travel with them or visit them in Australia, they will have to apply and meet the relevant criteria for the grant of an appropriate visa.

How to fill in this form

1. All parts of the form should be completed. If you require more space to answer questions or wish to provide additional relevant information, attach a signed and dated sheet with these details.
2. The **visa applicant** is to complete Parts A, C, D, E and I. The **sponsor** is to complete Parts B, E, F and H.
3. After completing pages 11 and 12 relating to health details in Part A:
 - for confidentiality purposes applicants may choose to separate those pages from the application, seal them in an envelope and clearly mark the envelope with their name and 'Confidential'.
 - the completed visa application form (including, if applicable, the health details in a sealed envelope) should then be sent to the sponsor.
4. The sponsoring Australian organisation should forward the completed form (including, if applicable, the health details in a sealed envelope) to the Hobart Professional Development Visa Processing Centre. Please ensure that this form (including, if applicable, the health details in a sealed envelope), all required supporting documentation and the prescribed charge are lodged together.
5. The sealed envelope is only opened by officers of the department, and the health information is used to assess whether the visa applicant will require a medical examination.

Photographs

PLEASE ENSURE THE APPLICANT'S NAME AND DATE OF BIRTH ARE CLEARLY INDICATED ON THE REVERSE SIDE OF EACH PHOTO.

Photographs of the applicant are also required for applications lodged via fax. These must be sent by courier or mailed separately to the Hobart Professional Development Visa Processing Centre.

When supplying photographs, please quote the ID code of the approved Professional Development Program the applicants are applying to undertake.

Residential address

The applicant must provide their residential address. Failure to do so will result in the application being invalid. A post office box address will not be accepted as a residential address.

Health requirements

All applicants for visas to Australia must meet Australia's health requirements. Refer to form 1163i *Health requirements for temporary entry to Australia* for details. As part of the visa application process applicants may be required to undergo a chest x-ray and medical examination. If an applicant is required to undertake a medical examination, the sponsor will be advised soon after lodging the visa application and the relevant medical forms will be forwarded to the sponsor with instructions on where the examination may be carried out.

Withdrawal of applications

Applications may be withdrawn in writing at any time before a decision is made. Any charges paid at the time of lodgement are usually not refundable.

Notification of visa approval/refusal

The Hobart Professional Development visa Processing Centre will decide all applications for Professional Development visas. Sponsors will be notified in writing of the outcome of the visa application. Visa applicants will not be notified. It is the responsibility of the sponsor to notify the visa applicant of the outcome.

Sponsors will also be advised of procedures to obtain visa labels for those granted visas. This will involve forwarding visa applicants' passports to an appropriate immigration office overseas. However, it will not be necessary for Electronic Travel Authority (ETA) eligible passport holders to obtain a visa label for this visa.

Review rights

If an application for a Professional Development visa application is refused, the sponsor may apply for a review of the decision. The applicant will be notified of the review rights in writing via their sponsor, including the time limits for lodging an appeal. Only the approved sponsor is eligible to apply for review of these decisions.

Authorising the sponsor to receive written communication and act on behalf of the visa applicant

In order for this visa application to proceed, the visa applicant will need to authorise the sponsor to receive all written communications about the visa application, and to act on behalf of the visa applicant. The department will communicate with the sponsor about the visa application and will send the sponsor any written communications relating to the visa application that would otherwise have been sent to the visa applicant. The visa applicant will be taken to have received any documents sent to the sponsor as if they had been sent to the visa applicant.

Both the sponsor and the visa applicant will need to sign Part E *Authorising your Australian sponsor* on this form.

Sponsors of applicants for Professional Development visas are exempt from the requirement to be registered as a migration agent in Australia in order to assist applicants in relation to Professional Development visas.

The visa applicant must also indicate in Part E, whether he or she also consents to the sponsor and the department exchanging information, including personal information. This exchange of information may be necessary for the processing of the visa application.

Immigration assistance

A person gives immigration assistance to you if he or she uses, or claims to use, his or her knowledge or experience in migration procedure to assist you with your visa application, request for ministerial intervention, cancellation review application, sponsorship or nomination.

In Australia a person may only lawfully give immigration assistance if he or she is a registered migration agent or is exempt from being registered. Only registered migration agents may receive a fee or reward for providing immigration assistance.

If an unregistered person in Australia, who is not exempt from registration, gives you immigration assistance they are committing a criminal offence and may be prosecuted.

Migration agents in Australia

Migration agents in Australia must be registered with the Office of the Migration Agents Registration Authority (Office of the MARA) unless they are exempt from registration.

Migration agents outside Australia

Migration agents who operate outside Australia do not have to be registered. The department may give some overseas agents an ID number. This number does not mean that they are registered.

Note: Some Australian registered migration agents operate overseas.

Migration agent information

A migration agent is someone who can:

- advise you on the visa that may best suit you;
- tell you the documents you need to submit with your application;
- help you fill in the application and submit it; and
- communicate with the department on your behalf.

If you appoint a migration agent, the department will assume that your migration agent will be your authorised recipient, unless you indicate otherwise.

Your migration agent will be the person with whom the department will discuss your application and from whom it will seek further information when required.

You are not required to use a migration agent. However, if you use a migration agent, the department encourages you to use a registered migration agent. Registered agents are bound by the Migration Agents Code of Conduct, which requires them to act professionally in their clients' lawful best interests.

Information on migration agents, including a list of registered migration agents, is available on the Office of the MARA website www.mara.gov.au

You can also access information about migration agents on the department's website www.immi.gov.au

Exempt persons

The following people do not have to be a registered migration agent in order to provide immigration assistance, but they must not charge a fee for their service:

- a close family member (spouse, de facto partner, child, parent, brother or sister);
- a member of parliament or their staff;
- an official whose duties include providing immigration assistance (eg. a Legal Aid provider);
- a member of a diplomatic mission, consular post or international organisation.

Appointing a migration agent/exempt person

To appoint a migration agent/exempt person you should complete Part D *Options for receiving written communications*.

Your migration agent/exempt person should complete form 956 *Advice by a migration agent/exempt person of providing immigration assistance*.

Form 956 is available from the department's website www.immi.gov.au/allforms/

Options for receiving written communications

If you do not appoint a migration agent/exempt person you may still authorise another person, in writing, to receive written communications on your behalf. This person is called the authorised recipient.

Authorised recipient information

All written communication about your application will be sent to your authorised recipient, unless you indicate that you wish to have health and/or character information sent directly to you.

The department will communicate with the most recently appointed authorised recipient as you may only appoint one authorised recipient at any time for a particular application.

You will be taken to have received any documents sent to that person as if they had been sent to you.

To appoint an authorised recipient you should complete:

- Part D *Options for receiving written communications*; and
- form 956A *Appointment or withdrawal of an authorised recipient*.

Note: Migration agents/exempt persons do not need to complete form 956A.

Form 956A is available from the department's website www.immi.gov.au/allforms/

Consent to communicate electronically

The department may use a range of means to communicate with you. However, electronic means such as fax or e-mail will only be used if you indicate your agreement to receiving communication in this way.

To process your application the department may need to communicate with you about sensitive information, for example, health, police checks, financial viability and personal relationships. Electronic communications, unless adequately encrypted, are not secure and may be viewed by others or interfered with.

If you agree to the department communicating with you by electronic means, the details you provide will only be used by the department for the purpose for which you have provided them, unless there is a legal obligation or necessity to use them for another purpose, or you have consented to use for another purpose. They will not be added to any mailing list.

The Australian Government accepts no responsibility for the security or integrity of any information sent to the department over the internet or by other electronic means.

If you authorise another person to receive documents on your behalf and they wish to be contacted electronically, their signature is required on this form, form 956 or 956A to indicate their consent to this form of communication.

Note: Electronic communication is the fastest means of communication available and the department prefers to communicate electronically because this results in faster processing.

Consent to communicate electronically

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Lodging a Professional Development visa application

Visa applications can be lodged either:

by courier:

Hobart Professional Development Visa Processing Centre
188 Collins Street
HOBART TAS 7000

by mail:

Hobart Professional Development Visa Processing Centre
GPO Box 794
HOBART TAS 7000

by fax:

61 3 6281 9579

Applications by fax should be sent with a covering sheet identifying the number of visa applicants included in the batch. In order to meet the requirements of lodging a valid application, when applying by fax the appropriate Visa Application Charge must be paid by credit card. This can be done by completing the relevant section on credit card payment in Part F *Payment details* on this form.

Visa Application Charge

A Visa Application Charge is required for each application.

Fees may be subject to adjustment at any time. Visa Application Charges may be subject to adjustment on 1 July each year. This may increase the cost of a visa.

To check the Visa Application Charge, see form 990i *Charges* available from the department's website www.immi.gov.au/allforms/990i.htm or check with the nearest office of the department.

Method of payment

In Australia

To make a payment, please pay by credit card, debit card, bank cheque or money order made payable to the Department of Immigration and Citizenship. Debit card and credit card are the preferred methods of payment.

Outside Australia

Before making a payment outside Australia, please check with the Australian Government office where you intend to lodge your application as to what methods of payment and currencies they can accept and to whom the payment should be made payable.

English translations

Documents in languages other than English must be accompanied by an English translation. The translator of such documents must be accredited by the National Accreditation Authority for Translators and Interpreters (NAATI). Translating and Interpreting Services (TIS) translators are NAATI accredited.

Professional Development visa helpdesk

For clarification on matters related to the Professional Development visa e-mail your enquiries to profdev@immi.gov.au

About the information you give

The department is authorised to collect information provided on this form under Part 2 of the *Migration Act 1958* 'Control of Arrival and Presence of Non-Citizens'.

The information provided* will be used for assessing the eligibility of the applicant for a Professional Development visa and for other purposes relating to the administration of the Migration Act.

The information provided might be disclosed to agencies who are authorised to receive information relating to border control, employment conditions, education, health assessment, health insurance, health services, law enforcement, review of decisions and registration of migration agents.

Information may also be disclosed to the following parties:

- Sponsors of Professional Development visa holders to monitor compliance with sponsorship undertakings and notify instances of sanction imposition;
- AusAID and the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations (DEEWR) to assist those seeking to undertake training in Australia;
- DEEWR to monitor educational institutions' compliance with the *Education Services for Overseas Students Act 2000*;
- DEEWR to determine any impact of a proposed workplace component on the Australian labour market.

The collection, access, storage, use and disclosure by the department of the information you provide in this form is governed by the *Privacy Act 1988* and, in particular, by the 11 Information Privacy Principles. The information form 993i *Safeguarding your personal information*, available from offices of the department, gives details of agencies to which your personal information might be disclosed.

* The information provided in relation to health on this form, and results for any tests for Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV), will be used to assess your health for an Australian visa. A positive test **or other** test result will not necessarily lead to a visa being denied. Your results may be disclosed to the relevant Commonwealth, state and territory health agencies.

The department is authorised under the *Migration Act 1958*, in certain circumstances, to collect a range of personal identifiers including a facial image, fingerprints and a signature from non-citizens, including from visa applicants. The department requires personal identifiers to assist in assessing your identity. The department is authorised to disclose your personal identifiers and information relating to your name and other relevant biographical data to a number of agencies including law enforcement and health agencies and to other agencies who may need to check your identity with this department. Where the department obtains personal identifiers they will become part of your official record with the department.

The department is involved in international information exchanges with a number of countries, including the United Kingdom, the United States of America, Canada and New Zealand. These international information exchanges may involve the sharing of personal identifiers, including facial images and fingerprint data, collected by immigration agencies such as this department. If, as a result of this sharing between countries, there is a match with your personal identifiers, the department will disclose your biographical data, copies of travel and other identity documents or information from such documents, your immigration status and immigration history (which may include any immigration abuse and offences) and any criminal history information relevant to immigration purposes. The purpose of such disclosure would be to help confirm your identity and determine if you have presented to the department and the other agency under the same identity and with similar claims.

For more detailed information you should read information form 1243i *Your personal identifying information*, which is available from the department's website

www.immi.gov.au/allforms/ or from any office of the department or Australian mission overseas.

Disclosure of personal information

In order to accord natural justice to an approved Professional Development Sponsor or former approved Professional Development Sponsor personal information may be disclosed to an approved Professional Development Sponsor or a former approved Professional Development Sponsor about the holder or former holder of a Professional Development (subclass 470) visa (the person). That personal information is:

- details of any breaches of visa conditions by the person; and
- if the person no longer holds a valid Professional Development (subclass 470) visa and remains in Australia as an unlawful non-citizen — that information; and
- details of any hospital or medical expenses for the person that the sponsor or former sponsor is required to pay; and
- details of any costs incurred by the Commonwealth in relation to the person; and
- details of the cost of return travel from Australia by the person, while the person was the holder of a Professional Development (subclass 470) visa; and
- details of any non-compliance with the immigration laws of Australia by the person; and
- if the person's standard of living, while the person was the holder of a Professional Development (subclass 470) visa was not consistent with a reasonable standard of living in Australia — that information; and
- details of any material change in the person's circumstances; and
- details of any matter that affected the person's ability to comply with the conditions to which the person's visa was subject.

The circumstances in which the Minister may disclose the personal information are that the disclosure is necessary:

- to allow the sponsor or former sponsor to respond to a claim about conduct that may lead to action under section 140J or 140K of the Act against the sponsor or former sponsor; or
- to allow the sponsor or former sponsor to meet a liability relating to the sponsorship of the holder or former holder of a Professional Development (subclass 470) visa; or
- in connection with a proceeding for review of a decision mentioned in paragraph 4.02(4)(h) of the Migration Regulations.

The circumstances in which the sponsor or former sponsor may use or disclose the information are the same as the circumstances set out in the paragraph above.

If personal information is disclosed the department will notify the visa holder or former visa holder of the disclosure and the details of the personal information disclosed.

Home page

www.immi.gov.au

General enquiry line

Telephone **131 881** during business hours in Australia to speak to an operator (recorded information available outside these hours). If you are outside Australia, please contact your nearest Australian mission.

Please keep these information pages for your reference

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Please use a pen, and write neatly in English using BLOCK LETTERS.

Tick where applicable

Part A – Applicant’s details

1 Full name *(as shown in your current passport or travel document)*

Family name

Given names

2 Name in your own language or script *(if applicable)*

3 Other names you are, or have been, known by
(including name at birth, previous married names, aliases)

4 Sex Male Female

5 Date of birth

DAY	MONTH	YEAR
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6 Place of birth

Town/City

Country

7 Details of your passport

Passport number

Country of issue

Date of issue

DAY	MONTH	YEAR
/	/	

Date of expiry

DAY	MONTH	YEAR
/	/	

Issuing authority/
Place of issue as
shown in your
passport

8 Details of identity card or identity number issued to you by your government *(if applicable)* eg. National identity card.
Note: If you are the holder of multiple identity numbers because you are a citizen of more than one country, you need to enter the identity number on the card from the country that you live in.

Identity number

Country of issue

9 Present country of citizenship

10 Applicant’s current residential address
Note: A post office box address is not acceptable as a residential address. Failure to give a residential address will result in this application being invalid

POSTCODE

11 Postal address
(if same as the residential address, write ‘same as Question 10’)

POSTCODE

12 Contact details

COUNTRY CODE	AREA CODE	NUMBER
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Office hours

COUNTRY CODE	AREA CODE	NUMBER
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After hours

COUNTRY CODE	AREA CODE	NUMBER
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E-mail address

Employment details

13 Current employment position details

Name of employer

Address of employer (*not postal address*)

Date commenced employment

Position held

Duties of position

Permanent position

Contract position Give date the contract expires

Name of current manager

Position of current manager

Manager's work number

Manager's e-mail address

Please provide a signed letter on company letterhead from your current manager detailing your current position and duties

14 Provide details of your employment history for the past 5 years (**excluding your current position**) with the most recent position first

1. Name of employer

Duration of employment

from to

Position held

Duties of position

2. Name of employer

Duration of employment

from to

Position held

Duties of position

3. Name of employer

Duration of employment

from to

Position held

Duties of position

- 17** In which countries have you, and/or your partner (spouse or de facto partner) (if applicable) lived for 12 months or more during the last 10 years (including Australia)?
You must account for every year.

Country	Dates lived there		Last permanent address in that country	Who lived there?
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If insufficient space give details on an attachment

Health details

How to fill in this page

After you have answered all the questions on this page, for confidentiality purposes you may choose to:

- place this page and any additional documents regarding your health in an envelope and seal it; and
- mark the envelope with your name and 'Confidential'; and
- return the sealed envelope AND the rest of this form to your Australian sponsoring organisation.

18 Full name

(as completed in Question 1 of this form)

Family name

Given names

19 Date of birth

DAY / MONTH / YEAR

20 Applicant's current residential address

(as completed in Question 10 of this form)

<input type="text"/>
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<input type="text"/> POSTCODE

21 In the last 5 years, have you visited, or lived, outside your country of passport for more than 3 consecutive months?

No

Yes Give details

1. Country(s)

Date from DAY / MONTH / YEAR to DAY / MONTH / YEAR

2. Country(s)

Date from DAY / MONTH / YEAR to DAY / MONTH / YEAR

3. Country(s)

Date from DAY / MONTH / YEAR to DAY / MONTH / YEAR

22 Do you intend to enter a hospital or a health care facility (including nursing homes) while in Australia?

No

Yes Give details

<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>
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23 Do you intend to work as, or study to be, a doctor, dentist, nurse or paramedic during your stay in Australia?

No

Yes Give details

<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>

24 Do you intend to work, or be a trainee, at a child care centre (including preschools and creches) while in Australia?

No

Yes Give details

<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>

25 Do you intend to be in a classroom situation for more than 3 months (eg. as either a student, teacher, lecturer, or observer)?

No

Yes Give details

<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>

26 Have you:

- ever had, or currently have, tuberculosis?
- been in close contact with a family member that has active tuberculosis?
- ever had a chest x-ray which showed an abnormality?

No

Yes Give full details

<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>

27 During your proposed visit to Australia, do you expect to incur medical costs, or require treatment or medical follow up for:

- blood disorder;
- cancer;
- heart disease;
- hepatitis B or C and/or liver disease;
- HIV infection, including AIDS;
- kidney disease, including dialysis;
- mental illness;
- pregnancy;
- respiratory disease that has required hospital admission or oxygen therapy;
- other?

No

Yes Give details

28 Do you require assistance with mobility or care due to a medical condition?

No

Yes Give details

Part B – Details of the Professional Development Program

29 Professional Development Program ID code

30 Australian sponsor's name and trading name

31 Contact officer for enquiries

Telephone number

AREA CODE	NUMBER
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E-mail address

32 Proposed period of Professional Development Program in Australia

From

DAY		MONTH		YEAR
/		/		

 to

DAY		MONTH		YEAR
/		/		

33 Visa applicant's intended arrival date in Australia

DAY		MONTH		YEAR
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34 Applicant's intended address (if known)

POSTCODE

35 Name of overseas employer that has the agreement with the Australian sponsor

36 Indicate with a tick, which of the below costs (if any) the visa applicant will be paying for from their own funds:

- travel to Australia
- cost of tuition for the Professional Development Program
- accommodation while in Australia
- living expenses
- health insurance
- return travel to their home country

37 Attach evidence of arrangements for health insurance to cover the applicant's period of stay in Australia

Part C – Assistance with this form

38 Did you receive assistance in completing this form?

No ▶ Go to Part D

Yes ▶ Please give details of the person who assisted you

Title: Mr Mrs Miss Ms Other

Family name

Given names

Address

POSTCODE

Telephone number or daytime contact

COUNTRY CODE	AREA CODE	NUMBER
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Mobile/cell

39 Is the person an agent registered with the Office of the Migration Agents Registration Authority (Office of the MARA)?

No

Yes ▶ Go to Part D

40 Is the person/agent in Australia?

No ▶ Go to Part D

Yes

41 Did you pay the person/agent and/or give a gift for this assistance?

No

Yes

Part D – Options for receiving written communications

42 All written communications about this application should be sent to:
(Tick one box only)

Sponsor ▶ Go to Part E

OR

Migration agent ▶ You must complete form 956 *Appointment of a migration agent or exempt agent or other authorised recipient* and attach it to this application form. Form 956 is available from the department's website www.immi.gov.au

Go to Part F

Part E – Authorising your Australian sponsor

43 I authorise my Australian sponsor

Australian sponsor's full name (BLOCK LETTERS)

to receive written communication in relation to this application and to act on my behalf.

The department may need to exchange information about this application with the sponsor.

I consent to the department and the sponsor

Sponsor's full name (BLOCK LETTERS)

exchanging information about me, including personal information, for the purposes of this application.

Signature of visa applicant

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Date

DAY	MONTH	YEAR
/	/	/

Visa applicant's full name (BLOCK LETTERS)

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44 As the sponsor named on this form, do you agree to the department communicating with you by fax, e-mail or other electronic means?

No

Yes ▶ Give details

Fax number

COUNTRY CODE	AREA CODE	NUMBER
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E-mail address

Note: If the visa application is refused you will be notified in writing

45 I understand and I accept that my organisation has been authorised by the applicant to receive all written communications and act on their behalf.

Signature of duly authorised person

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Date

DAY	MONTH	YEAR
/	/	/

Full name (BLOCK LETTERS)

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Position in the organisation

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Part H – Sponsor’s declaration

WARNING: Giving false or misleading information is a serious offence.

48 I, (your name)

am duly authorised by (name of sponsor)

to undertake to meet sponsorship obligations on its behalf.

The sponsor must sign this declaration.

- I declare the details on this form are complete, true and correct.
- I acknowledge that I will be bound by the following obligations:
 - (a) to cooperate with an inspector appointed under the Migration Act 1958;
 - (b) to pay costs (up to a maximum of AUD10,000) incurred by the Commonwealth in locating and removing, as an unlawful citizen, a sponsored overseas participant from Australia, if the Minister has requested the payment by written notice;
 - (c) to keep records of their compliance with the other obligations. All records must be reproducible and some must be capable of verification by an independent person. For a complete list of the records that must be kept including the manner in which records should be kept, please see www.immi.gov.au/skilled/ However, no record need be kept for more than 5 years under this obligation;
 - (d) to provide records or information to the Minister, if the Minister has requested the records or information by written notice, and if the records requested are:
 - records that the sponsor is required to keep under a law of the Commonwealth or an applicable state or territory law; and
 - records or information relating to the administration of the sponsorship provisions in Division 3A of Part 2 of the Act and the associated Regulations; andin the manner, and within the timeframe, requested by the Minister in the written notice;
 - (e) to inform the department about each of the following events, within 10 working days after the events occur:
 - a change to the information provided to the department in the organisation’s application for approval as a Professional Development Sponsor in relation to:
 - the sponsor’s address and contact details; and
 - the sponsor’s capacity to deliver the approved Professional Development Program; and
 - the capacity of a sub-contractor involved in the delivery of the approved Professional Development Program to deliver the program or any part of the program;
 - the legal entity of the sponsor ceases to exist;
 - if the legal entity of the sponsor is a company – a new director is appointed;
 - if the legal entity of the sponsor is a partnership – a new partner joins the partnership;
 - if the legal entity of the sponsor is an unincorporated association – a new member is appointed to the managing committee of the association;
 - the sponsor has become insolvent within the meaning of subsections 5 (2) and (3) of the Bankruptcy Act 1966 and section 95A of the Corporations Act 2001;
 - if the sponsor is a company – any of the following:
 - an administrator is appointed for the company under Part 5.3A of the Corporations Act 2001;

- the company resolves by special resolution to be wound up voluntarily under subsection 491 (1) of the Corporations Act 2001;
- a court has ordered that the company be wound up in insolvency under Part 5.4, or on other grounds under Part 5.4A, of the Corporations Act 2001;
- a court has appointed an official liquidator to be the provisional liquidator of the company under Part 5.4B of the Corporations Act 2001;
- a court has approved a compromise or arrangement proposed by the company under Part 5.1 of the Corporations Act 2001;
- the property of the company becomes subject to a receiver or other controller under Part 5.2 of the Corporations Act 2001;
- procedures are initiated for the deregistration of the company under Part 5A.1 of the Corporations Act 2001;
- if the sponsor is a partner of a partnership, or a member of a managing committee for an unincorporated association – any of the events of the kind mentioned in the above dot points for a sponsor that is a natural person or a company;
- a sponsored overseas participant is unable to participate in the Professional Development Program;
- a sponsored overseas participant has ceased participation in the Professional Development Program prior to the ending of the Professional Development Program;
- a sponsored overseas participant has failed to attend the Professional Development Program, and this absence was not authorised by the Professional Development Sponsor; and
- (f) to secure an offer (or offers) of accommodation for sponsored overseas participants that will provide for a reasonable standard of accommodation and will ensure that the overseas participant has accommodation during the entire period of participation in the Professional Development Program.

Enforceability of obligations

- *Obligation (a) – is enforceable from the day the sponsor is approved as a Professional Development Sponsor and ends 5 years after the day the sponsor ceases to be a Professional Development Sponsor.*
- *Obligation (b) – is enforceable from the day the sponsored overseas participant becomes an unlawful non-citizen and ends 5 years after the overseas participant leaves Australia. However, the sponsor will only be liable for costs incurred by the Commonwealth up to the point when the person leaves Australia.*
- *Obligations (c) and (d) – are enforceable from the day the sponsor is approved as a Professional Development Sponsor and ends 2 years after the concurrence of both the sponsor ceasing to be a Professional Development Sponsor and there being no sponsored overseas participants in relation to the sponsor.*
- *Obligation (e) – is enforceable from the day the sponsor is approved as a Professional Development Sponsor and ends after the first day on which occurs the concurrence of both the sponsor ceasing to be a Professional Development Sponsor and there being no sponsored overseas participants in relation to the sponsor. This obligation must be satisfied every time a specified event occurs and within 10 days of the event occurring.*
- *Obligation (f) – is enforceable from the day on which the overseas participant is granted the Professional Development (subclass 470) visa and ends on the earliest of:*
 - *the day on which the overseas participant is granted a further substantive visa that is in effect and not a Professional Development (subclass 470) visa; and*
 - *the first day on which each of the following occur concurrently:*
 - *the overseas participant has left Australia; and*
 - *the Professional Development (subclass 470) visa has ceased to be in effect; and*
 - *if the overseas participant held a Bridging B (subclass 020) visa when they left Australia, and their last substantive visa held was a Professional Development (subclass 470) visa - the bridging visa has ceased to be in effect.*

Sanctions

- *I acknowledge and accept that sanctions may result where these obligations are breached.*

Level of English

- *I am satisfied as to the applicant's English language proficiency for the purposes of undertaking the Professional Development Program mentioned in this visa application.*

Signature of
duly authorised
person

Date

Full name (BLOCK LETTERS)

Name of organisation

Position in the organisation

We strongly advise that you keep a copy of your application and all attachments for your records.

Part I – Applicant's declaration

WARNING: Giving false or misleading information is a serious offence.

49 The visa applicant must sign this declaration

I declare that:

- *the information provided on this form, and on any attachments to it, is complete, true and correct in every detail;*
- *I will advise the Department of Immigration and Citizenship immediately after becoming aware of a change in circumstances relating to any information provided in or with this application;*
- *I understand and accept that the Professional Development visa for which this application applies will be subject to the conditions listed below. I agree to abide by the conditions:*
 - 8102** *the holder must not engage in work in Australia (other than in relation to the holder's course of study or training);*
 - 8503** *the holder will not, after entering Australia, be entitled to be granted a substantive visa, other than a protection visa, while the holder remains in Australia;*
 - 8531** *the holder must not remain in Australia after the end of the period of stay permitted by the visa;*
 - 8501** *the holder must maintain adequate arrangements for health insurance while the holder is in Australia;*
 - 8516** *the holder must continue to be a person who would satisfy the primary or secondary criteria, as the case requires, for the grant of the visa;*
 - 8514** *during the period of the visa there must be no material change in the circumstances on the basis of which it was granted;*
 - 8536** *the holder must not discontinue, or deviate from the Professional Development Program in relation to which the visa was granted.*
- *to ensure the confidentiality of my health details (pages 11 and 12) I have sealed them in an envelope and submitted them with the remainder of this form (if applicable);*
- *I understand that the department is authorised to disclose personal information about the holder or former holder of a Professional Development (subclass 470) visa in circumstances as listed on page 5; and*
- *I will respect Australian values as listed on this form, during my stay in Australia and will obey the laws of Australia.*

Signature of
applicant

Date

Full name of applicant (BLOCK LETTERS)

50 Declaration by the parent(s) or person(s) with legal custody where the applicant is under 18 years of age

I am not aware of any reason why the applicant should not travel to Australia (the custody/access/guardianship rights of another person are not affected).

Signature of parent/person who has legal custody

Date / /

Full name (print in English)

Relationship to applicant

Signature of parent/person who has legal custody

Date / /

Full name (print in English)

Relationship to applicant

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