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**NEW ADELAIDE COLLEGE APPOINTS ACCLAIMED ACADEMIC DEAN**

The Australian Chiropractic College (ACC) has announced Professor Sharyn Eaton will take up the position as its inaugural Academic Dean when the College opens in January 2020.

In announcing the appointment, ACC President and CEO Dr Patrick Sim says Professor Eaton is an outstanding choice to lead the new College.

“Professor Eaton brings to ACC an impressive professional and academic career that has seen her publicly recognised with a Medal of the Order of Australia (OAM) for service to chiropractic and to education,” he says.

“Her experience in university leadership roles at Macquarie University and most recently Central Queensland University, together with her success in driving academic excellence, research performance and engagement, make Professor Eaton ideally placed to be ACC’s academic lead.”

Professor Eaton says she’s excited to be taking on the new role at Australia’s first independent chiropractic College, which will be the only institution in South Australia offering a Bachelor of Chiropractic course to national and international students.

“My career to date has been very much focused around developing integrated educational frameworks and evidence-based practice, using critical thought, within a safe and well-supervised environment, helping students develop the necessary clinical skills to be an effective practitioner,” she says.

“The role of Academic Dean at ACC presents me with an exciting new opportunity to provide academic leadership at a new and very special institution with a focus on delivering educational excellence and practice ready graduates.”

Professor Eaton will commence and lead ACC’s teaching program from January 2020, and will be supported by local, interstate and overseas academic and professional staff.

The Australian Chiropractic college will be located at 83 Currie St in the Adelaide CBD and commences operation on January 28, 2020.

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