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AUSTRALIAN CHIROPRACTIC COLLEGE SIGNS BENCHMARKING AGREEMENT WITH IKON INSTITUTE OF AUSTRALIA

The Australian Chiropractic College (ACC) has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Ikon Institute of Australia (Ikon) as the two organisations agree to work collaboratively on strategically beneficial benchmarking projects and ongoing bi-annual benchmarking exchanges.

In announcing the agreement, ACC President and CEO Dr Patrick Sim said the alignment with Ikon underpinned both organisations' commitment to educational excellence.

"We are delighted to join Ikon in this important benchmarking initiative," he said.

"Our institutions are both committed to preparing graduates to meet the changing needs of the industry and their respective professions. And both are committed to providing quality education and learning experiences to current and prospective students."

Dr Sim said the MOU would initially enable the two institutions to work together on a number of mutually agreed areas and collaborative benchmarking projects, such as:

- Curriculum and course structure
- Course delivery mode
- Assessment, content and structure
- Grade distributions
- Student outcomes: attrition and progress
- Student satisfaction

"Over time, we're hoping that that the scope of our benchmarking focus can be extended to a range of other broad areas as part of our ongoing commitment to quality assurance," said Dr Sim.

Potential areas for future benchmarking collaboration between the two organisations include:

- Student engagement(attendance)
- Graduate attributes
- Advisory Boards
- Facilities
- Class sizes
- Academic management
- Organisational structure
- Qualifications profile
- Industry placement

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“The personal details of our students, and the information we gather, will be kept strictly confidential,” said Dr Sim. “The specific purpose of undertaking this benchmarking is to underpin the continuous improvement of our service delivery to our students.”

Both institutions have agreed that the outcomes of the benchmarking process may only be disclosed to external regulatory and accrediting agencies such as the Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency (TEQSA).

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