

# Getting started

## Fact sheet: EtG screening – what you need to know

<b>What is EtG screening?</b>	<p>EtG screening monitors compliance for abstinence from alcohol, by detecting the presence of ethyl-glucuronide (an alcohol breakdown product) in urine.</p> <p>We use EtG screening to monitor practitioners and students where there is a history of or concerns about alcohol misuse or dependence and whose conditions require them to be abstinent from alcohol.</p>
<b>Why do we need you to undergo EtG screening?</b>	<p>We need to make sure that practitioners and students with a history of or concerns about alcohol misuse or dependence are safe to be in practice or training. This is to protect the public from possible harm.</p> <p>Negative EtG screening results are an effective way for us to know you are not affected by alcohol and can continue safely in practice or training.</p>
<b>How does screening benefit you?</b>	<p>EtG screening and subsequent negative results gives assurance to you, the public, and your employers that you can continue safely in practice or training.</p>
<b>What information should I have received?</b>	<p>You should have received:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• our <a href="#">Alcohol screening policy</a>, and its supporting <a href="#">Participant procedure: EtG screening</a></li><li>• list of <a href="#">Council-approved collection centres</a></li><li>• <a href="#">Collection centre nomination</a> form</li><li>• <a href="#">Illness certificate</a> form</li><li>• <a href="#">Leave from screening</a> form.</li></ul>
<b>When do I have to start screening?</b>	<p>You need to start EtG screening within 7 days of the condition being placed on your registration.</p>
<b>Where do I go to have my sample collected?</b>	<p>You need to go to a <a href="#">Council-approved collection centre</a> to have your sample collected. If you cannot go to a Council-approved collection centre, you need to propose an alternative arrangement on your <a href="#">Collection centre nomination</a> form.</p> <p>We will then let you know whether your alternative arrangement is approved.</p>
<b>How do I start screening?</b>	<p>Before you start EtG screening you must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• choose a <a href="#">Council-approved collection centre</a></li><li>• confirm the opening hours of your nominated collection centre and the time you need to attend</li><li>• complete our <a href="#">Collection centre nomination</a> form.</li></ul> <p>Please get this form to us within 2 days of the EtG screening condition being placed on your registration so we can set up and send to you your <i>Screening request</i> form.</p>

**What do I need to do on the day of screening?**

- take any regular medication
- bring a copy of your *Screening request* form (we will give this to you before you start screening)
- know what current medications you are taking as you will be asked about this
- bring a type of government-issued photo identification, such as a valid driver licence, identity card or passport
- attend your approved collection centre to have your urine sample collected
- be prepared to pay for screening via credit/debit card.

**How much will it cost?**

You are responsible for all EtG screening costs.

If you attend for screening at a Council-approved collection centre the cost will be:

Screening test	Cost*
EtG	\$ 44

\* inclusive of GST, collection and transport if participant attends a Council-approved collection centre

**What happens to my results?**

All samples are screened by Queensland Medical Laboratory (QML). QML will send your results to the groups listed on your *Screening request* form.

We will manage your results as outlined in the [Participant procedure: EtG screening](#).

**What do I need to be careful of?**

Some prescription medicines, over-the counter preparations, health and personal hygiene products, and foods and drinks can cause positive results. It is your responsibility to avoid these while you are attending for screening. More information about what to avoid is included in the [Participant procedure: EtG screening](#).

**What do I do if I am absent, or if something goes wrong?**

The [Participant procedure: EtG screening](#) outlines what to do if you need to be or are absent from screening, or if any operational issues arise.

**What do I do now?**

You need to read the information you have been provided to make sure you understand what is required of you and your screening conditions.

Contact us on 02 9879 2200 or [medicalcouncil.monitoring@mcnsw.org.au](mailto:medicalcouncil.monitoring@mcnsw.org.au) if you have any questions.



## Alcohol screening policy

*Medical Council policies outline legislative principles and can also reflect the values/philosophies of the Medical Council. They direct conduct and decision making and must be complied with and implemented by members and staff or delegates of the Council and/or medical practitioners and students practising and training in NSW.*

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### Summary

This policy and its related procedures outline how to comply with conditions requiring a medical practitioner or student to undergo alcohol screening and the consequences of any non-compliance.

### Applies to (scope)

- NSW medical practitioners and students required to undergo alcohol screening
- Medical Council of NSW, its delegates and secretariat staff

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# Alcohol screening policy

## 1. Purpose

To ensure that medical practitioners and students who are required to undergo alcohol screening comply with conditions imposed on their registration, and explain the consequences of non-compliance.

## 2. Introduction

The Council uses alcohol screening to monitor medical practitioners and students where there is a history of or concerns about alcohol misuse or dependence.

The Council uses the following screening tests either on their own or in combination to monitor participants:

- Breath-testing for alcohol
- EtG screening
- CDT screening

The Council understands that alcohol screening can be inconvenient, intrusive, and expensive. However, negative alcohol screening results are an effective way for the Council to protect the public, by knowing that a participant is not affected by alcohol and can continue safely in practice or training.

## 3. Definitions and abbreviations

Term	Explanation
breath-testing for alcohol	a screening test to ensure a participant is not under the influence of alcohol
CDT	Carbohydrate-Deficient Transferrin – a screening test designed to identify excess consumption or harmful use of alcohol
Council	Medical Council of NSW
EtG	Ethyl-glucuronide – a screening test to monitor compliance for abstinence from alcohol, by detecting the presence of EtG (an alcohol breakdown product) in urine
the guidelines / the national guidelines	<a href="#">Australian Guidelines: To reduce health risks from drinking alcohol</a> , as revised from time to time
HCCC	Health Care Complaints Commission
participant	a medical practitioner or student participating in alcohol screening because a condition on their registration requires it
the Standard	the AS/NZS 4308:2008, <i>Procedures for specimen collection and the detection and quantitation of drugs of abuse in urine</i>
substance	any: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• substance listed in Schedule 1 of the <i>Drug Misuse and Trafficking Act 1985</i></li> <li>• pharmacist only, prescription only or controlled drug medication as contained in Schedule 3, 4 or 8 of the <a href="#">Poisons Standard (SUSMP)</a></li> </ul>
the Tribunal	NSW Civil and Administrative Tribunal

## 4. Mandatory requirements for alcohol screening

### 4.1. Compliance with this policy

Participants must comply with all aspects of this policy, the Council’s related alcohol screening procedures and all alcohol screening conditions on their registration.

If a condition is inconsistent with this policy or the procedures, the condition prevails.

All aspects of screening, including the type of screening and how often participants must attend, will be overseen by the Council. Compliance will be monitored by the monitoring team.

### 4.2. Non-compliance with alcohol screening

Non-compliance with alcohol screening is any failure to follow the requirements of this policy, the Council’s alcohol screening procedures, and any alcohol screening conditions on a participant’s registration.

If a participant does not comply, the Council will ask them for a written explanation, and may also ask the breath-testing supervisor and breath-testing device manufacturer, or pathology provider for more information. The Council will then consider whether further action is required. In some cases the Council may take action without asking the participant for an explanation.

Non-compliance with alcohol screening includes, but is not limited to, the circumstances listed in the following table.

Screening type	Circumstance
All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a positive alcohol screening result</li> <li>the participant fails to commence screening within the required timeframe</li> <li>the participant fails to attend for screening when required</li> <li>the participant provides samples for screening outside of the approved collection and testing regimen</li> <li>the participant fails to complete request forms as required (not for breath-testing)</li> <li>the participant provides samples that do not meet the chain of custody (not for breath-testing)</li> <li>the participant uses, makes, alters or possesses an object or product to defraud an alcohol screening test</li> <li>the provided sample is inadequate or unsuitable for testing</li> <li>the participant fails to provide supporting information about any absences from screening within the required timeframe</li> <li>a pattern of participant behaviour raises concerns about their compliance with this policy, the related procedures or related conditions on their registration.</li> </ul>
Breath-testing for alcohol	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>the participant fails to provide the <i>Starting breath-testing for alcohol</i> form within the required timeframe or the information submitted is inadequate or insufficient for approval</li> <li>the participant fails to maintain their breath-testing log as required</li> </ul>

- the participant fails to provide their breath-testing log to the Council
- the participant fails to service their breath-testing device as required
- the participant fails to make alternative arrangements for breath-testing while their device is being serviced.

If a participant does not comply the Council may:

- give the participant a warning and explain any other action the Council may take if they do not comply in the future
- increase the frequency or length, or change the type of alcohol screening
- require that the participant attend an interview or hearing to consider the matter further
- take immediate action, such as imposing more restrictive conditions (including a critical impairment condition) on or suspending the participant's registration and refer a complaint to the HCCC
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### 4.3. Compliance with critical impairment and critical compliance conditions

#### 4.3.1. Critical impairment and critical compliance conditions

There are two types of critical conditions that can be imposed on a participant's registration that have specific consequences for non-compliance. The following table shows which bodies can order these conditions and which participant group is affected.

Condition type	Ordered by	For
Critical impairment condition	Medical Council of NSW	Medical practitioners
Critical compliance condition	the Tribunal	Medical practitioners and students
	Professional Standards Committee	Medical practitioners

#### 4.3.2. Non-compliance with critical impairment and critical compliance conditions

If a participant does not comply with a critical impairment or critical compliance condition, the Council must take action. The following table shows what action is taken if the Council considers that a participant has breached one of these conditions.

Condition type	Action taken
Critical impairment condition	The Council must refer the matter to the HCCC
Critical compliance condition	The Council will immediately suspend the participant's registration and refer the matter to the Tribunal, which must cancel the participant's registration if it is satisfied that the condition has been breached

## 5. Implementation

Implementing party (Position/Groups/Bodies)	Key actions required by identified party to implement the policy
NSW medical practitioners and students	comply with this policy, its related procedures and related conditions imposed on their registration.
Monitoring team	monitor compliance with this policy, its related procedures and related conditions imposed on a participant's registration, on behalf of the Council.
the Council	make decisions about a participant's progress with screening and compliance with this policy, the related procedures and any related conditions imposed on their registration.

## 6. Legislation and references

<b>Laws and standards</b>	AS/NZS 4308:2008, <i>Procedures for specimen collection and the detection and quantitation of drugs of abuse in urine</i>
<b>Handbooks</b>	The Council's <a href="#">Health Program Handbook</a> provides participants with more information about the Health program.
<b>Fact sheets</b>	The Council has a range of <a href="#">fact sheets</a> providing information about alcohol screening.

## 7. Related policies

Medical Council of NSW *Participant procedure: breath-testing for alcohol*

Medical Council of NSW *Supervisor procedure: breath-testing for alcohol*

Medical Council of NSW *Participant procedure: EtG screening*

Medical Council of NSW *Participant procedure: CDT screening*

## 8. Revision history

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## Participant procedure: EtG screening

*Procedures provide practical step by step guidance to describe processes and actions required to enable the implementation of a policy or guideline. They can also be developed to ensure compliance with legislative or policy requirements by members, staff or delegates of the Council*

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### Summary

This procedure explains to medical practitioners and students who have EtG screening conditions imposed on their registration how to participate in screening.

### Applies to (scope)

- NSW medical practitioners and students required to undergo EtG screening
- Medical Council of NSW, its delegates and secretariat staff

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# Participant procedure: EtG screening

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# Participant procedure: EtG screening

## 1. Purpose

If you have EtG screening conditions on your registration, this procedure explains how to:

- prepare for screening
- give samples at the required times
- get your results
- manage any absences you need to take
- apply to decrease your screening.

## 2. Compliance context

You must comply with this procedure and:

- our *Alcohol screening policy*
- any alcohol screening conditions on your registration

If a condition on your registration is inconsistent with this procedure or the *Alcohol screening policy*, the condition prevails.

If you must attend other types of alcohol screening you must also comply with the relevant alcohol screening procedure.

We will decide all aspects of screening, including how often you need to attend. Our monitoring team will monitor your compliance.

## 3. Key information

We use EtG screening to monitor medical practitioners and students where there is a history of or concerns about alcohol misuse or dependence and whose conditions require them to be abstinent from alcohol. We do this to protect the public.

We understand that providing samples can be inconvenient, intrusive and expensive. However, negative EtG screening results are an effective way for us to know you are not affected by alcohol and can continue safely in practice or training.

## 4. Responsibilities

Parties responsible (Positions/Groups/Bodies)	Key responsibilities
NSW medical practitioners and students	comply with processes for EtG screening outlined in this procedure.
Monitoring team	monitor compliance with this procedure on behalf of the Council.
the Council	make decisions about a participant's progress and compliance with the <i>Alcohol screening policy</i> and this procedure.

## 5. Definitions and abbreviations

Term	Explanation
Council / we / our	Medical Council of NSW
EtG	Ethyl-glucuronide – a test to monitor compliance for abstinence from alcohol, by detecting the presence of EtG (an alcohol breakdown product) in urine
participant / you / your	a medical practitioner or student participating in EtG screening because a condition on their registration requires it
the Standard	AS/NZS 4308:2008, <i>Procedures for specimen collection and the detection and quantitation of drugs of abuse in urine</i>
substance	any: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>substance listed in Schedule 1 of the <i>Drug Misuse and Trafficking Act 1985</i></li> <li>pharmacist only, prescription only or controlled drug medication as contained in Schedule 3, 4 or 8 of the <a href="#">Poisons Standard (SUSMP)</a>.</li> </ul>

## 6. Preparing for screening

### 6.1 Timing

**Start date** If you must attend EtG screening, you need to start within 7 days of the condition being placed on your registration.

**Frequency** We will advise how often you must attend EtG screening both when the condition is placed on your registration and if your conditions change.

The table below outlines the requirements for each frequency of screening.

Frequency	Requirements
2 times a week	You must attend for screening every Monday and Thursday.
Random	You must call <b>1800 654 068</b> each weekday between midnight and 5 pm to find out whether you must attend for screening that day. You will be screened at least 15 times every 6 months on randomly selected dates.

**Public holidays**

If you must attend 2 times a week EtG screening you do not need to attend for screening on public holidays (as defined in the *Public Holidays Act 2010 (NSW)*). But you must attend the next business day after the holiday.

If you must attend random EtG screening you do not need to call the Council random screening phone number on a public holiday.

**Extra screening**

We may require you to attend for extra screening if we:

- are concerned you are not complying with this procedure, the related policy or any alcohol screening conditions on your registration
- believe you may have consumed alcohol.

We will advise when you need to attend for extra screening. You may need to attend on a weekend.

**6.2 What to avoid**

**Alcohol**

You must not consume alcohol.

**Prescribed substances and over-the-counter preparations**

Some prescription medicines and over-the-counter preparations may cause positive screening results. It is your responsibility to avoid these while you are attending for screening.

You must vigilantly check any prescription medicines and over-the-counter preparations you take, including supplements and complementary medicines. You must review the ingredient list for alcohol and any substance that may cause a positive result. If the exact ingredients are not listed or you are unsure, you must avoid the preparation.

<b>Some health and personal hygiene products, food and drink</b>	<p>Ingredients in health and personal hygiene products, foods and drinks can cause positive results.</p> <p>Before you use a health or personal hygiene product or eat or drink anything, carefully check that it does not include alcohol or any other ingredients that may cause a positive result. If you cannot find out its exact ingredients, you must avoid it.</p> <p>Do not drink too much water before you attend for EtG screening, as this can dilute your sample and cause an unsatisfactory result.</p>
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## 7. Giving samples

### 7.1 Collection centres

<b>Council-approved collection centres</b>	<p>You must attend a <a href="#">Council-approved collection centre</a> for screening.</p> <p>Contact your nominated collection centre to confirm their opening hours and the time you need to attend.</p>
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<b>Alternative arrangements</b>	<p>We must approve any alternative arrangements, and will only do so in exceptional circumstances.</p> <p>If you cannot attend a Council-approved collection centre, you must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• write to us explaining why</li> <li>• propose an alternative collection arrangement</li> <li>• ensure that we receive this proposal as soon as possible, noting that for urine drug screening you must start screening within 7 days of the condition being placed on your registration.</li> </ul> <p>These arrangements must meet all our collection and screening requirements, and can include collection by a local registered medical practitioner, nurse or pathology provider. You are responsible for any additional costs that may be incurred.</p>
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### 7.2 Sample collection and handling

<b>Urine</b>	<p>If you are giving a urine sample it must be collected under direct supervision. The collector will stand in front of you and directly observe the urine passing from the urethra into the container.</p> <p>Samples are otherwise collected and handled in line with the Standard.</p>
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You must not handle your specimen at any time during the collection

## 7.3 Forms

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### **EtG screening request form**

We will provide you with *EtG screening request* forms. You must complete the participant section of this form at every collection.

You must complete this form correctly or the pathology provider may not screen your sample.

On the form, you must write down:

- any substances (prescribed or otherwise) you consumed since your last sample collection
- which parties need your results, including us, your treating practitioner and your Council-appointed practitioner
- whether you want your results sent to you and any relevant group e.g. medical indemnity insurer.

### **Chain of custody**

Every sample must have an accompanying chain of custody form, completed in line with the Standard.

For a urine sample, this must state:

- how the sample collection was supervised
- the sample temperature, recorded within 4 minutes of collection
- the urine creatinine result.

You must ensure the collector completes this form, and you must sign it when the sample is collected.

We recommend you also keep your own sample collection records and ask the collector to sign them each time.

## 7.4 Costs, identification and privacy

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### **Payment**

You are responsible for all collection and screening costs. You must pay the collection centre when you attend for screening. If you cannot pay when you attend, the centre cannot collect a sample. We will consider this a missed screen.

Screening is not eligible for a Medicare rebate.

### **Proof of identity**

You must show government-issued photo identification, such as a valid driver licence, identity card or passport, to the collector each time you give a sample.

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<b>Pseudonyms</b>	<p>If we approve, you can use a pseudonym for screening. You must write to us and provide your:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• proposed pseudonym</li> <li>• real name and photo identification</li> <li>• consent to provide the pseudonym to all treating practitioners and Council-appointed practitioners who may receive your screening results.</li> </ul> <p>The collector must verify your real identity each time you give a sample.</p>
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## 8. Getting your results

### 8.1 Recipients

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<b>Nominated parties</b>	<p>The pathology provider will send your results to the parties nominated on your <i>EtG screening request</i> form.</p> <p>You can also request a copy for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• yourself</li> <li>• any relevant group e.g. medical indemnity insurer.</li> </ul>
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### 8.2 Positive or unsatisfactory results

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<b>Positive EtG result</b>	Your EtG result is positive if the concentration detected is more than 500 ng/ml.
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<b>Dilute urine samples</b>	<p>A dilute urine sample has a creatinine level below 1.76 mmol/L.</p> <p>If your EtG result shows you provided a dilute sample, we will notify you and ask you to take the necessary steps to avoid further dilute samples.</p>
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<b>Unsatisfactory results</b>	<p>Your EtG result is unsatisfactory if:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• you provide more than one dilute urine sample</li> <li>• your urine sample was adulterated or substituted</li> <li>• your sample was otherwise inadequate or unsuitable.</li> </ul> <p>If you receive an unsatisfactory result, we will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ask you for a written explanation</li> <li>• use your explanation and information from the pathology provider to decide whether to take further action.</li> </ul>
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## 9. Managing absences and operational issues

### 9.1 Absences from screening

**All absences** You must follow these procedures when taking leave from practice. If you take leave, we may also:

- require your employer or accreditor to confirm your leave period
- verify your absence from practice with Medicare.

You must continue to screen during absences from practice, except in the circumstances specified below.

If you are absent and do not follow these procedures we may take further action, particularly if your absences follow a pattern.

**Planned absences** If you intend to take a planned absence from practice, you must:

- complete our [Leave from screening](#) form
- ensure we receive this at least 5 business days before your planned absence.

You must also meet the following requirements:

Reason	Requirements
Travel within Australia	<p>You must continue to attend for screening while you travel and attend the Council-approved collection centre you nominated on your <a href="#">Leave from screening</a> form.</p> <p>If you are travelling to a remote location with no available approved centre, we may approve leave from screening. When you return, you must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• attend for screening no later than the next business day</li> <li>• send us evidence of your travel, such as boarding passes and receipts, within 5 business days.</li> </ul>
Travel outside Australia	<p>You do not need to attend for screening while you are outside Australia.</p> <p>When you return from leave, you must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• attend for screening no later than the next business day</li> <li>• send us evidence of your travel, such as boarding passes and receipts, within 5 business days.</li> </ul>



Planned medical procedure	<p>You must inform us of any planned medical procedure that may stop you from attending for screening.</p> <p>When you return from leave, you must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• attend for screening no later than the next business day</li> <li>• send us written confirmation of the procedure from the practitioner who performed it and any substance they advised, prescribed or administered, within 5 business days.</li> </ul>
Any other planned leave	<p>We will consider requests for planned leave for other reasons individually. You need to provide evidence to support your leave request for us to consider.</p>

### Unplanned absences

If you have an unplanned absence from EtG screening, you must meet the following requirements:

Reason	Requirements
Missed screen	<p>If you realise you have missed your screening, you must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• notify us immediately and explain why</li> <li>• provide us with evidence to support your absence within 5 business days</li> <li>• attend for screening no later than the next business day.</li> </ul>
Illness	<p>If you are ill and cannot attend for screening, you must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• notify us within 24 hours of failing to attend</li> <li>• visit a medical practitioner who knows you are required to attend for screening and ask them to complete an <a href="#">Illness certificate</a> form.</li> </ul> <p>When you return from leave, you must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• attend for screening no later than the next business day</li> <li>• ensure we receive your <a href="#">Illness certificate</a> form within 5 business days.</li> </ul> <p>The certifying medical practitioner can only certify that you are ill for a maximum of 3 business days. If you are ill for more than 3 days you need to notify us and send us another completed <a href="#">Illness certificate</a> form. We prefer the same medical practitioner completes the form each time.</p> <p>If you remain ill after that and are unable to screen you must contact us and provide supporting information from your treating practitioner about your illness, whether any substance has been advised, prescribed or administered, and when you will be able to return to screening. You must not practise during this time.</p>

## 9.2 Operational issues

### Random screening phone number issues

If the random screening phone number is not working when you call, you must:

- note the time you called
- tell us immediately.

We will tell you whether you need to attend for screening that day.

The next day, call the random screening phone number as usual. If we don't expect the issue to be fixed by the next day, we will tell you what to do.

### Pathology provider issues

If the Council-approved collection centre cannot collect your sample, you must:

- tell us immediately
- attend for screening no later than the next business day
- send us the pathology provider's written explanation for why they could not collect the sample, within 5 business days.

## 10. Ending your screening

### 10.1 Decreases

#### Decreasing your screening

We will decide when you need less frequent screening or a different type of alcohol screening.

#### Requirements

We will only consider decreasing your screening if you meet the requirements below. Unless there is a material change to your circumstances, you must meet the minimum time periods.

Screening type	Requirements
EtG (2 times a week)	<p>You may be eligible to decrease to random EtG if you:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• can show you have fully complied with your conditions, this procedure and the related policy</li> <li>• received negative results for 18 months.</li> </ul>
EtG (random)	<p>You may be eligible to stop your screening if you:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• can show you have fully complied with your conditions, this procedure and the related policy</li> <li>• received negative results for a further 12 months.</li> </ul>

**Reviews** You can request a review of your screening requirements by writing to us and providing evidence to support this request.

**Considerations** We will decide whether to decrease your screening based on factors such as:

- your request and the evidence you provide
- your EtG screening results and other information from the pathology provider
- any other alcohol screening results
- reports from your Council-appointed practitioner, treating practitioner and any interview or hearing with us
- your compliance with the conditions on your registration
- your engagement with treatment
- your health
- any other information about your progress.

## 11. Contacts and further information

Drug screening contacts	Support services
<p><b>Council random phone screening number</b> Phone: 1800 654 068</p>	<p><b>Doctors Health Advisory Service</b> Phone: (02) 9437 6552 Visit: <a href="http://www.dhas.org.au">www.dhas.org.au</a></p>
<p><b>Queensland Medical Laboratory (QML)</b> Phone: 07 3121 4945 (Commercial services) Visit: <a href="http://www.qml.com.au">www.qml.com.au</a></p>	<p><b>Medical Benevolent Association of NSW</b> Phone: (02) 9987 0504 Visit: <a href="http://www.mbansw.org.au">www.mbansw.org.au</a></p>
<p><b>Council details</b> Phone: 02 9879 2200 Visit: <a href="http://www.mcnsw.org.au">www.mcnsw.org.au</a> Mail: PO Box 104, Gladesville, NSW 1675 DX: 22808 Gladesville</p>	<p><b>Beyond Blue</b> Phone: 1300 22 4636 Visit: <a href="http://www.beyondblue.org.au">www.beyondblue.org.au</a></p>
	<p><b>Lifeline</b> Phone: 13 11 14 Visit: <a href="http://www.lifeline.org.au">www.lifeline.org.au</a></p>
	<p><b>Alcoholics Anonymous Australia</b> Phone: 1300 222 222 Visit: <a href="http://www.aa.org.au">www.aa.org.au</a></p>
	<p><b>Australian Doctors in Recovery</b> Visit: <a href="https://www.idaa.org/sites/adr/">https://www.idaa.org/sites/adr/</a></p>

## 12. Legislation and references

<b>Laws and standards</b>	AS/NZS 4308:2008, <i>Procedures for specimen collection and the detection and quantitation of drugs of abuse in urine</i>
<b>Handbooks</b>	Our <a href="#">Health Program Handbook</a> provides you with more information about the Health program
<b>Fact sheets</b>	We have a range of <a href="#">fact sheets</a> providing information about alcohol screening.

## 13. Related policies

Medical Council of NSW *Alcohol screening policy*

## 14. Revision history

Version	Approved by	Amendment notes
N/A	N/A	N/A

# Drug and alcohol screening collection centres: NSW & ACT

## Region: ACT

Westfield Shopping Centre  
Lower Ground  
Shop 104  
Belconnen 2617  
**Ph:** 02 6253 1476  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 07:30-15:30  
**Services:** UDS

1st Floor, Florina Building  
Garema Place  
Civic Square 2601  
**Ph:** 02 6257 3254  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 08:00-13:00, 13:30-16:00  
**Services:** UDS

Pathology Suite  
23-25 Montague St  
Goulburn 2580  
**Ph:** 02 4821 7807  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 08:00-16:30  
Sat: 09:00-12:00  
**Services:** UDS

131 Hibberson St (Hinder)  
Gungahlin 2912  
**Ph:** 04 8191 8077  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 07:00-18:00  
Sat: 08:00-14:00  
**Services:** UDS

Moruya Medical Centre  
73a Queen St  
Pathology Suite 1  
Moruya 2537  
**Ph:** 02 4474 5893  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 08:00-16:30  
**Services:** UDS

Unit 7a  
Rutledge Plaza  
2-4 Rutledge St  
Queanbeyan 2620  
**Ph:** 02 6297 6440  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 07:30-13:00, 13:30-15:30  
**Services:** UDS

Pathology Suite  
2 Rylah Crescent  
Wanniassa 2903  
**Ph:** 02 6231 1088  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 07:00-19:00  
Sat: 08:40-16:30  
**Services:** UDS, Hair

Suite 16  
Corrina Chambers  
Corrina St  
Woden 2606  
**Ph:** 02 6285 4349  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 07:30-16:00  
**Services:** UDS, Hair

## Region: Central Coast

Pathology Suite  
1639 Nurses Rd  
Central Mangrove 2250  
**Ph:** 02 4373 1864  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri 08:00-13:00, 13:30-15:00  
Sat: 08:30-12:00  
**Services:** UDS

Shop 3, 5 & 7  
Killarney Vale Arcade  
128 Wyong Rd  
Killarney Vale 2261  
**Ph:** 02 4334 1904  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 07:00-12:00, 12:30-15:30  
Sat: 08:00-11:30  
**Services:** UDS

Lisarow Medical Centre  
Pathology Suite  
1 Parsons Rd  
Lisarow 2250  
**Ph:** 02 4329 4132  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 08:00-13:00, 14:00-16:30  
Sat: 08:30-11:30  
**Services:** UDS

North Gosford Medical Centre  
66 Etna St (24 Henry Parry Dr)  
North Gosford 2250  
**Ph:** 02 4331 4090  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri 07:30-13:00, 14:00-16:00  
**Services:** UDS, Hair

Saratoga Shopping Centre  
Shop 17  
10 Village Rd  
Saratoga 2251  
**Ph:** 02 4369 5546  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 08:00-11:00  
**Services:** UDS

Shop 2  
227-229 The Entrance Rd

The Entrance 2261  
**Ph:** 02 4332 5222  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 07:00-12:00, 13:00-15:30  
**Services:** UDS

1 Alfred St  
Umina 2257  
**Ph:** 02 4342 3999  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri 07:30-12:00, 13:00-15:00  
Sat: 08:00-11:00  
**Services:** UDS

Suite 10  
Wyong Village Plaza  
Corner Alison And Margaret Sts  
Wyong 2259  
**Ph:** 02 4353 2011  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 07:30-13:00, 13:30-15:30  
**Services:** UDS

## Region: Central West

Charles Sturt Uni  
Building 1470  
106 Panorama Ave  
Bathurst 2795  
**Ph:** 02 6331 6677  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 08:00-15:00  
**Services:** UDS

Rarms Health  
7 Sandon St  
Brewarrina 2839  
**Ph:** 02 6822 5013  
**Services:** UDS

61 Gaskill St  
Canowindra 2804  
**Ph:** 02 6344 2370  
**Services:** UDS

Canowindra Medical Centre  
106 Gaskill St  
Canowindra 2804  
**Ph:** 02 6344 2957  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 08:00-13:00  
**Services:** UDS

Cobar Primary Health Care Centre  
26 Harcourt St  
Cobar 2835  
**Ph:** 02 6836 2913  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 08:00-15:30  
**Services:** UDS

Ochre Health Medical Centre  
3-5 Melrose St  
Condobolin 2877  
**Ph:** 02 6895 4096  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 07:30-13:00  
**Services:** UDS

Suite 3  
17 Tooloon St  
Coonamble 2829  
**Ph:** 02 6822 5013  
**Services:** UDS

99 Castlereagh St  
Coonamble 2829  
**Ph:** 02 6822 1177  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 07:30-14:30  
**Services:** UDS

Western Plains Medical Centre  
Pathology Room 1 And 2  
62 Windsor Pde  
Dubbo 2830  
**Ph:** 02 6884 1571  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 07:00-17:00  
Sat: 08:00-14:00  
Sun: 08:00-14:00  
**Services:** UDS

Delroy Park Medical Centre  
2-4 Carnegie Ave  
Dubbo 2830  
**Ph:** 02 6882 1533  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 08:30-12:30  
**Services:** UDS

Rear 6  
Chelmsford Ave  
Gilgandra 2827  
**Ph:** 02 6847 1738  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 08:30-12:00  
**Services:** UDS

Gulgong Medical Centre  
102 Herbert St  
Gulgong 2852  
**Ph:** 02 6374 2989  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 08:00-13:30  
**Services:** UDS

Lightning Ridge Health Centre  
53 Morilla St  
Lightning Ridge 2834  
**Ph:** 02 6829 1114  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 09:00-13:00  
Sat: 09:00-13:00  
**Services:** UDS

Pathology Suite  
Lots 8-10/145 Church St  
Mudgee 2850  
**Ph:** 02 6372 2119  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 08:30-16:00  
Sat: 08:30-12:00  
**Services:** UDS

5 McNamara St  
Orange 2800  
**Ph:** 02 6360 2519  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 08:30-16:30  
**Services:** UDS, Hair

Pathology Suite 1  
Shop 1  
25 Church St  
Parkes 2870  
**Ph:** 02 6862 5038  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 08:00-15:00  
**Services:** UDS

15 Boorowa St  
Young 2594  
**Ph:** 02 6382 1212  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 08:30-17:00  
**Services:** UDS

## Region: Coffs Harbour

32 Walter Morris Close  
Coffs Harbour 2450  
**Ph:** 02 6652 4322  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 07:00-18:00  
Sat: 09:00-12:00  
**Services:** UDS, Hair

Unit 6 & 7 Peachtree Centre  
26 Ridge St (enter Via Kent St)  
Nambucca Heads 2448  
**Ph:** 02 6568 7482  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 07:30-17:00  
**Services:** UDS

## Region: Hunter

Cnr Northcott Drive  
14 Bradford Close  
Kotara 2289  
**Ph:** 02 4952 5915  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 07:00-18:00  
Sat: 08:00-12:00  
**Services:** UDS

Brook Medical Centre  
64 Brook St  
Muswellbrook 2333  
**Ph:** 02 6542 5383  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 08:30-17:30  
**Services:** UDS

Shop 109  
The Junction Village  
10-16 Kenrick St  
The Junction 2291  
**Ph:** 02 4927 6742  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 08:00-13:00  
**Services:** UDS, Hair

## Region: Illawarra & Nowra

Pathology Suite  
Level 1  
Shop 5  
145 Balgownie Rd  
Balgownie 2519  
**Ph:** 02 4283 5427  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 07:00-12:00  
**Services:** UDS

Suite 10  
Cnr Captain Cook Dr & Phillip Cres  
Shellharbour 2529  
**Ph:** 02 4295 8900  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 07:00-18:00  
Sat: 07:30-12:30  
**Services:** UDS, Hair

Suite B  
22-24 Pacific St  
Batemans Bay 2536  
**Ph:** 02 4472 6576  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 07:30-13:00, 14:00-15:00  
**Services:** UDS

1 Meroo St  
Bomaderry 2541  
**Ph:** 02 4422 6517  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 08:00-12:00, 12:30-15:30  
**Services:** UDS

Ground Floor  
21 Bong Bong Rd  
Dapto 2530  
**Ph:** 04 0361 2095  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri 07:00-13:00, 14:00-18:00  
Sat: 08:00-11:00  
**Services:** UDS

Dapto Medical Centre  
Pathology Room 19  
112 Pacific Hwy  
Dapto 2530  
**Ph:** 02 4262 4550  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 07:00-20:00  
Sat: 08:00-17:00  
**Services:** UDS

Pathology Room 1  
Shop 1  
Centretown Plaza  
128-134 Crown St  
Wollongong 2500  
**Ph:** 02 4226 6443  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 08:30-13:00, 13:30-16:00  
**Services:** UDS

## Region: Metro East

Shop M109  
BRdway Healthcare Floor  
BRdway Shopping Centre  
BRdway 2007  
**Ph:** 02 9282 9245  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 08:30-18:00  
Sat: 09:00-13:00  
**Services:** UDS, Hair

Consult B  
Burwood Rd Medical Centre  
1st Floor  
85 Burwood Rd  
Burwood 2134  
**Ph:** 02 9744 1227  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 07:30-17:00  
Sat: 08:00-12:00  
**Services:** UDS

Darlinghurst Medical Centre  
213-219 Darlinghurst Rd  
Darlinghurst 2010  
**Ph:** 02 8302 1120  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 07:00-19:00  
Sat: 08:00-14:00  
Sun: 08:00-14:00  
**Services:** UDS

96 Norton St  
Leichhardt 2040  
**Ph:** 02 9568 6401  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 07:30-16:30  
Sat: 08:00-12:00  
**Services:** UDS

Shop 2  
805-813 Anzac Parade  
Maroubra 2035  
**Ph:** 02 9344 6756  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 08:00-17:00  
Sat: 07:30-12:00  
**Services:** UDS

806-812 Anzac Parade  
Maroubra 2035  
**Ph:** 02 9349 9011  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 07:00-19:00  
Sat & Sun: 08:00-14:00  
**Services:** UDS

## Region: Metro North

10 Dale St  
Brookvale 2100  
**Ph:** 02 9034 1250  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 06:00-20:00  
Sat & Sun: 08:00-18:00  
**Services:** UDS



240 Victoria Ave  
Chatswood 2067  
**Ph:** 02 9411 5224  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 07:30-12:30  
Sat: 07:30-11:30  
**Services:** UDS, Hair

Forest Way Medical Centre  
Consult Room 1  
22 Forest Way  
Frenchs Forest 2086  
**Ph:** 02 9452 3877  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 08:00-12:00  
Sat: 08:00-11:00  
**Services:** UDS

Ground Floor  
60 Waterloo Rd  
North Ryde 2113  
**Ph:** 02 9005 7000  
**Hours:** 07:30-13:30  
**Services:** UDS, Hair

## Region: Metro North West & Blue Mountains

Pathology Collection Room  
20 Mary St  
Auburn 2144  
**Ph:** 02 9649 7625  
**Services:** UDS

The Hills Medical/Dental Centre  
2/3 Columbia Court  
Baulkham Hills 2153  
**Ph:** 02 9761 1194  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 07:00-20:00  
Sat: 08:00-13:00  
**Services:** UDS

Pacific Medical Centre  
23-27 First Ave  
Blacktown 2148  
**Ph:** 02 8602 8898  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 07:00-20:00  
Sat: 08:00-13:00  
**Services:** UDS, Hair

Patrick St Medical Centre  
Pathology Room  
8 Patrick St  
Blacktown 2148  
**Ph:** 02 8645 4024  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 07:30-16:00  
Sat: 08:00-11:00  
**Services:** UDS

Pathology Suite 1  
1/101 Great Western Highway  
Emu Plains 2750  
**Ph:** 02 4735 3489  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 08:30-13:30  
**Services:** UDS, Hair

Quality Medical Centre  
Pathology Room 5  
417 Merrylands Rd  
Merrylands 2160  
**Ph:** 02 9897 3050  
**Services:** UDS, Hair

Pathology Rooms 18 & 20  
First Floor  
243 High St  
Penrith 2750  
**Ph:** 02 4722 8591  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 07:00-18:00  
Sat: 08:00-13:00  
**Services:** UDS

Path Room  
184-186 Pitt St  
Merrylands 2160  
**Ph:** 02 8892 3357  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 07:00-18:00  
Sat: 08:00-12:00  
**Services:** UDS

The Hawkesbury Family Practice  
Consult Room 9  
86 Lennox St  
Richmond 2753  
**Ph:** 02 4578 7898  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 08:30-14:30  
Sat: 08:30-12:30  
**Services:** UDS

Primary Medical Centre  
10-14 Market Lane  
Rouse Hill 2155  
**Ph:** 02 8889 8959  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 07:00-20:00  
Sat: 08:00-15:00  
**Services:** UDS

Wentworthville Medical Centre  
122 Station St  
Wentworthville 2145  
Ph: 02 9636 9325  
Hours: Mon-Fri: 07:00-20:00  
Sat: 08:00-13:00  
**Services:** UDS

Suite 3  
16-18 Mons Rd  
Westmead 2145  
Ph: 02 9635 3267  
Hours: Mon-Fri: 08:00-16:00  
**Services:** UDS

156 Best Rd  
Seven Hills 2147  
**Ph:** 02 8646 0684  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 07:30-12:30  
**Services:** UDS

## Region: Metro South

Shop 1  
1 Butler Rd  
Hurstville 2220  
Ph: 02 9580 8146  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 07:00-18:00  
Sat: 07:30-14:00  
Sun: 08:00-12:00  
**Services:** UDS, Hair

3 White St  
Jannali 2226  
Ph: 02 9528 8331  
Hours: Mon-Fri: 07:30-17:30  
Sat: 07:30-12:00  
**Services:** UDS

## Region: Metro South West

Tharawal Aboriginal Corp  
Consulting 1  
21 Deans Rd  
Airds 2560  
Ph: 02 4628 4837  
Hours: Mon-Fri: 09:00-12:00  
**Services:** UDS

Primary Healthcare  
67 Rickard Rd  
Bankstown 2200  
**Ph:** 02 9782 9658  
Hours: Mon-Fri: 07:00-19:00  
Sat: 08:00-12:00  
**Services:** UDS

Suite 3  
Kitchener Building  
52 Kitchener Parade  
Bankstown 2200  
**Ph:** 02 9709 4411  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 07:30-16:30  
Sat: 08:00-12:00  
**Services:** UDS, Hair  
Camden Family Medical Centre  
25 Broughten St  
Camden 2570  
Ph: 02 4655 7538  
Hours: Mon-Fri: 08:00-13:00  
**Services:** UDS

Centre Health Medical Centre  
Level 1  
32 Queen St  
Campbelltown 2560  
Ph: 02 4625 9765  
Hours: Mon-Fri: 09:00-13:00  
**Services:** UDS

Campbelltown Mall  
Shop L09  
271 Queen St  
Campbelltown 2560  
**Ph:** 02 4625 8010  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 08:00-16:00  
Sat: 08:00-11:00  
**Services:** UDS, Hair

296 Queen St  
Campbelltown 2560  
Ph: 02 4628 7821  
Hours: Mon-Fri: 07:00-20:00  
Sat: 07:00-13:00  
**Services:** UDS

Room 4  
Civic Plaza  
8/43 Ware St  
Fairfield 2165  
**Ph:** 02 9724 9695  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 08:00-13:30, 14:00-16:00  
**Services:** UDS

Pathology Suite 1  
47a Oxford Rd  
Ingleburn 2565  
Ph: 02 9829 8317  
Hours: Mon-Fri: 08:00-15:00  
Sat: 08:00-11:00  
**Services:** UDS, Hair

Pathology Suite 1  
177 Elizabeth Drive  
Liverpool 2170  
Ph: 02 9601 7919  
Hours: Mon-Fri: 08:00-14:00  
**Services:** UDS

Pathology Suite  
52 Hill Rd  
Lurnea 2170  
Ph: 02 9607 7387  
Hours: Mon-Fri: 08:00-16:00  
Sat: 09:00-12:00  
**Services:** UDS

## Region: New England

216 Rusden St  
Armidale 2350  
Ph: 02 6772 9000  
Hours: Mon-Fri: 07:30-17:00  
Sat: 07:30-11:30  
**Services:** UDS, Hair

Pathology  
Suite 1  
East Ave Med Centre  
39 East Avenue  
Glen Innes 2370  
Ph: 02 6732 2289  
Hours: 08:00-12:00  
**Services:** UDS

Norwest Family Medical  
59 Barber St  
Gunnedah 2380  
Ph: 02 6742 3566  
Hours: Mon-Fri: 08:00-12:30, 13:30-18:00  
**Services:** UDS

Pathology Wing  
Gunnedah Health Centre  
27 Marquis St  
Gunnedah 2380  
Ph: 02 6742 3513  
Hours: Mon-Fri: 07:00-11:00, 12:00-14:00  
Sat: 08:00-11:00

**Services:** UDS, Hair  
St Elmo Medical Practice  
Pathology Room 1  
27 Oliver St  
Inverell 2360  
Ph: 02 6721 3372  
Hours: Mon-Fri: 07:30-13:00  
**Services:** UDS

Pathology Suite  
159 Maitland Rd  
Narrabri 2390  
Ph: 02 6792 5677  
Hours: Mon-Fri: 08:00-13:00  
**Services:** UDS

177 George St  
Quirindi 2343  
Ph: 02 6746 2462  
Hours: Mon-Fri: 07:00-12:00, 13:00-16:00  
Sat: 09:00-12:00  
**Services:** UDS

Pathology Suite  
30 Marius St  
Tamworth 2340  
Ph: 02 6768 5384  
Hours: Mon-Fri: 08:00-12:00, 12:30-16:00  
**Services:** UDS, Hair

128 Marius St  
Tamworth 2340  
Ph: 02 6766 1867  
Hours: Mon-Fri: 07:00-17:00  
Sat: 08:00-12:00  
**Services:** UDS

Shop 15b  
Homespace Centre  
Cnr New England Hwy & Greg Norman Drive  
437 Goonoo Goonoo Rd  
Tamworth 2340  
Ph: 02 6762 1590  
Hours: Mon-Fri: 07:30-16:00  
Sat: 08:00-11:00  
**Services:** UDS

## Region: Port Macquarie

Pathology Suite 1  
23 Pacific St  
Crescent Head 2440  
Ph: 02 6566 1118  
**Services:** UDS

Shop 2  
35 Belgrave St  
Kempsey 2440  
**Ph:** 02 6562 5313  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 07:00-17:00  
Sat: 08:00-11:00  
**Services:** UDS

Shop 3  
60 Bold St  
Laurieton 2443  
**Ph:** 02 6559 6975  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 08:00-12:30, 13:30-16:30  
Sat: 08:00-11:30  
**Services:** UDS

Your Family Practice  
Pathology Room  
97 Bold St  
Laurieton 2443  
**Ph:** 02 6559 9474  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 08:00-14:00  
**Services:** UDS

The Grange Medical Centre  
Suites 6&7  
72-80 Lake Rd  
Port Macquarie 2444  
**Ph:** 02 6583 7899  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 08:30-13:00, 14:00-16:00  
**Services:** UDS, Hair

Pathology Suite  
Port Macquarie Base Hospital  
Wrights Rd  
Port Macquarie 2444  
**Ph:** 02 5524 2500  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 08:00-16:30  
**Services:** UDS

Greenmeadows Health Centre  
Suite 4  
152 Greenmeadows Drive  
Port Macquarie 2444  
**Ph:** 02 6584 7062  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 13:00-17:00  
**Services:** UDS

Webster Medical Centre  
56 Hills St  
Port Macquarie 2444  
**Ph:** 02 6584 7980  
**Services:** UDS

84 Albert St  
Taree 2430  
**Ph:** 02 6552 4388

**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 08:00-15:00  
**Services:** UDS, Hair

29 Breckenridge St  
Forster 2428  
**Ph:** 02 6554 7129  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 08:00-17:00  
**Services:** UDS, Hair

63 High St  
Wauchope 2446  
**Ph:** 02 6585 2106  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 07:30-16:30  
Sat: 08:00-11:00  
**Services:** UDS

## Region: Southern Highlands

Suite 13  
70 Bowral St  
Bowral 2576  
**Ph:** 02 4862 3029  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 07:30-13:00, 14:00-18:00  
Sat: 07:30-11:30  
**Services:** UDS

## Region: Wagga Wagga

Suite 2  
Primary Health Centre  
118-132 Mckay St  
Cootamundra 2590  
**Ph:** 02 6942 3966  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 08:00-12:30, 13:30-16:00  
**Services:** UDS

3 Animoo St  
Griffith 2680  
**Ph:** 02 6964 1103  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 07:30-17:00  
Sat: 07:30-12:00  
**Services:** UDS, Hair

Pathology Suite 1  
98 BRdway  
Junee 2663  
**Ph:** 02 6924 3636  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 08:30-13:00, 13:30-17:00  
**Services:** UDS

Pathology Suite  
77 Kurrajong Avenue  
Leeton 2705  
Ph: 02 6953 5279  
Hours: Mon-Fri: 08:30-16:00  
**Services:** UDS

Shop 2  
135 East St  
Narrandera 2700  
**Ph:** 02 6959 9183  
**Hours:** Mon-Fri: 07:30-15:30  
**Services:** UDS

Pathology Room  
1 Fitzroy St Med Centre  
61 Fitzroy St  
Tumut 2720  
Ph: 02 6947 2011  
Hours: Mon-Fri: 08:30-11:30  
**Services:** UDS

53 Fernleigh Rd  
Wagga Wagga 2650  
Ph: 02 6925 5766  
Hours: Mon-Fri: 08:00-17:30  
Sat: 08:00-11:45  
**Services:** UDS, Hair

Pathology Suites  
135 Peter St  
Wagga Wagga 2650  
Ph: 02 6921 7044  
Hours: Mon-Fri: 07:30-16:15  
**Services:** UDS

33 Maitland St  
West Wyalong 2671  
Ph: 02 6972 1033  
Hours: Mon-Fri: 08:30-13:00, 14:00-15:30  
**Services:** UDS

# Collection Centre Nomination Form

Complete this form and send it to us within 48 hours of being advised that you must go for screening. Email: [medicalcouncil.monitoring@mcnsw.org.au](mailto:medicalcouncil.monitoring@mcnsw.org.au) Fax: 02 9816 5307

Your name \_\_\_\_\_

Type of screening             Urine drug screening (UDS)     EtG screening  
     Hair Drug Screening (HDS)     CDT

**Council approved collection centre**

NOTE - Not all approved centres are able to collect for HDS.  
 If you are required to screen with HDS you may be required to nominate two collection centres. Council approved centres can be found at:  
[https://www.mcnsw.org.au/sites/default/files/list\\_da\\_screening\\_collection\\_centres\\_april\\_2018\\_word\\_version.pdf](https://www.mcnsw.org.au/sites/default/files/list_da_screening_collection_centres_april_2018_word_version.pdf)

I will be attending:

Name of collection centre	Type of screening

**Alternative collection centre**

I cannot attend any of the listed Council approved collection centres because:

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**Please return this form to the Medical Council's Monitoring Team, fax 02 9816 5307, email [medicalcouncil.monitoring@mcnsw.org.au](mailto:medicalcouncil.monitoring@mcnsw.org.au) or post PO Box 104, Gladesville NSW**



**Alternative collector – the Council must approve this before you start screening**

Name of collector/contact person \_\_\_\_\_  
(Title and full name)

Organisation \_\_\_\_\_  
(name of collection centre, clinic or practice)

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Contact number \_\_\_\_\_

Address where sample collection will be taken \_\_\_\_\_

Postal address \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that this information is true and correct,

\_\_\_\_\_  
Your signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**Office use only**

Date of receipt

Complies with relevant criteria  Yes  No Reason/s

PO initials and date

Approval by Council Delegate  Yes  No Reason/s

Council Delegate name, signature and date

**Please return this form to the Medical Council's Monitoring Team, fax 02 9816 5307,  
email [medicalcouncil.monitoring@mcnsw.org.au](mailto:medicalcouncil.monitoring@mcnsw.org.au) or post PO Box 104, Gladesville NSW**



# Illness certificate form

If an illness stops you from attending for screening, you must:

- visit a medical practitioner (your nominated treating practitioner is best)
- take this form with you
- notify us in writing within 24 hours of missing the screen.

The certifying medical practitioner:

- must complete this form
- must know about the conditions on your registration that require you to attend for screening
- may only certify that you are ill for up to 3 business days
- may provide additional information to support this form if required.

When you return to practice, you must:

- attend for screening no later than the next business day

Please ensure we receive this form within 5 business days of the first missed screen.

## Section 1: Participant to complete

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date/s of illness \_\_\_\_\_

Which screening date/s did you miss? \_\_\_\_\_

When will you next attend for screening? \_\_\_\_\_

- I have advised the certifying medical practitioner that conditions on my registration require me to attend for drug or alcohol screening.
- I have advised the certifying medical practitioner that you may consider my failing to attend for screening as non-compliance with those conditions.

I certify that this information is true and correct,

\_\_\_\_\_  
Your signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date



## Section 2: Certifying medical practitioner to complete

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Registration number \_\_\_\_\_

Patient's name \_\_\_\_\_

Are you his/her nominated treating practitioner?  Yes  No

This is the treating practitioner the participant nominated to the Medical Council, as per the conditions on his/her registration.

Date/s of illness \_\_\_\_\_

This form is only valid for absence from screening for a maximum of **3 business days**.

When can they next attend for screening? \_\_\_\_\_

Did you advise, prescribe or administer any substance/s to treat this illness?

Yes → \_\_\_\_\_

Details: \_\_\_\_\_

This includes any prescribed substance, narcotic derivatives, non-prescription compound analgesics and cold and flu medications.

No

- I have confirmed the participant's identity.
- I know that the participant is required to attend for drug or alcohol screening due to conditions on his/her registration.
- I know that the Council may consider the participant failing to attend for screening as non-compliance with those conditions.
- I understand the Council may forward this certificate to the participant's treating practitioner and any person or group involved in reviewing or monitoring their compliance with conditions on their registration.

I certify that this information is true and correct,

\_\_\_\_\_  
Certifying medical practitioner's signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address and contact number

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Date received \_\_\_\_\_

Treating doctor section completed  Yes  No

Further action required  Yes  No

Comments \_\_\_\_\_

Program Officers initials and date \_\_\_\_\_

# Leave from screening form

This form must be received by us **at least 5 business days before** you plan to take leave

Your name \_\_\_\_\_

What type of screening are you on?

Tick all that apply

Urine drug screening - UDS     EtG screening

Hair drug screening - HDS (Go to Section C)

CDT (Go to Section C)

Why are you taking leave?

Please complete the relevant section below

Travel within Australia  
(Go to section A)

Overseas travel  
(Go to section B)

Health procedure  
(Go to section D)

Other (provide details)

Destination/s \_\_\_\_\_

Dates of travel \_\_\_\_\_

## Section A - Travel within Australia

You must attend for UDS and EtG while you travel within Australia

Can you attend for screening at a Council-approved collection centre while you travel?

Yes →  
You won't need to supply supporting documents if you continue screening

Which centre(s) will you attend?  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

For screening centres outside of NSW please go to:

<https://www.ahpra.gov.au/Registration/Monitoring-and-compliance/Collection-centres.aspx>

No →

I have attached a letter to explain why I cannot attend for screening

We will contact you about your proposed leave

## Section B - Overseas travel - You do not need to attend UDS and EtG

**When you return** you must supply evidence of travel, such as boarding passes and receipts from your destination **within 5 business days** and you **must** attend screening no later than the **next business day**

Date you will attend for screening on your return: \_\_\_\_\_

**Section C – HDS and CDT** (see section 9 of your participant's procedure)

**When you return** you must supply evidence of travel, such as boarding passes and receipts from your destination **within 5 business days**

**HDS**

If you are undergoing hair drug screening and plan to be absent on the date of your scheduled screening, you must attend before you leave.

Date for early screening \_\_\_\_\_

**CDT**

If you are undergoing CDT screening and plan to be absent on the date of your scheduled screening, you must **contact us before sending us this form** to be given a new screening date.

New screening date advised by Council \_\_\_\_\_

**Section D - Planned health procedure** (see section 9 of your participant's procedure)

**Following your procedure** you need to supply written confirmation from your treating practitioner, including what the procedure was, which substances they advised, prescribed or administered, and when you can return to practice

Planned procedure \_\_\_\_\_

Date of procedure \_\_\_\_\_

Dates you will be unable to screen from: \_\_\_\_\_ to: \_\_\_\_\_

Date you will next attend for screening: \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature**

I certify that this information is true and correct.

Your signature \_\_\_\_\_

Today's date \_\_\_\_\_

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Complies with relevant criteria  Yes  No Reason/s \_\_\_\_\_

PO initials and date \_\_\_\_\_

Approval by Council Delegate  Yes  No Reason/s \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Council Delegate name, signature and date