



New Zealand  
**PSYCHOLOGISTS BOARD**  
Te Poari Kaimātai Hinengaro  
o Aotearoa

## **ACCREDITATION REPORT:**

### **THE UNIVERSITY OF OTAGO'S POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA IN CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGY [PGDipCIPs]**

#### **Introduction:**

It is a function of the New Zealand Psychologists Board to prescribe the qualifications required for scopes of practice within the profession, and, for that purpose, to accredit and monitor educational institutions and degrees, courses of studies, or programmes [refer s 118(a) of the Health Practitioners Competence Assurance Act 2003]. On 2 November 2011 the Board delegated its powers under section 118(a) of the Act to accredit educational institutions and degrees, courses of studies, or programmes to the Accreditation Committee. Applications for accreditation are assessed with reference to the relevant sections of the Board's prescribed *Standards and Procedures for the Accreditation of Qualifications Leading to Registration as a Psychologist in New Zealand* document (current version).

#### **Date of Application:**

The University of Otago lodged an application for accreditation of their Postgraduate Diploma in Clinical Psychology [PGDipCIPs] on 2 April 2012.

#### **Dates of Site Visit:**

The site visit was conducted by the appointed Assessment Team on 16 & 17 October 2012.

#### **Date of Decision:**

15 August 2013.

#### **Decision:**

The Accreditation Committee has granted accreditation for a seven-year period to Otago University's Postgraduate Diploma in Clinical Psychology. The Committee has requested that the course specifically comment in their first routine monitoring report on their consideration of the AT's feedback and any relevant updates (especially in regard to Standard 6.2.6).

#### **Accreditation current until:**

15 August 2020.<sup>1</sup>

On behalf of the Accreditation Committee,

Steve Osborne, Committee Chair  
16 August 2013

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<sup>1</sup> It should be noted that the Board reserves the right to revisit a course granted accreditation subject to periodic reporting requirements.