



## Statement of Vision and Mission of Sydney Institute of Health Sciences Pty Ltd Trading as Sydney Traditional Chinese Medicine

### COMPANY MEMORANDUM

The current memorandum and articles of Sydney Institute of Health Sciences Pty Ltd (the Institute) make express provision for the conduct of an institution of higher education, the development and delivery of authorized higher education courses, and the conferral of degrees and other academic awards. The Institute's constitution expressly includes as corporate objects:

- a) the advancement of education
  - b) the conduct an authorized institution of higher education that specializes in traditional Chinese medicine and other health sciences;
  - c) the conferral of accredited undergraduate and post graduate qualifications in traditional Chinese medicine and other health sciences;
  - d) the pursuit of scholarship and research in traditional Chinese medicine and other branches of health science;
  - e) the constitution of a Board of Studies to provide advice to the Board on the development and implementation of curriculum, together with the maintenance of quality and standards;
  - f) the appointment of a chief executive officer who is suitably qualified to provide academic leadership and direction necessary for the development of a degree-granting institution.
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## MISSION STATEMENT

### 1. DEFINITION OF traditional Chinese medicine:

The Institute uses the definition of the Australian Acupuncture and Chinese Medicine Association (AACMA) for traditional Chinese medicine, which is:

... a system of primary health care that includes acupuncture, Chinese herbal medicine, remedial massage (*anmo tuina*), exercise and breathing therapy (such as *qigong*), and diet and lifestyle advice. In Australia, the most popular forms of traditional Chinese medicine health care are acupuncture and Chinese herbal medicine.

### 2. CORPORATE VISION:

As a long-term vision, the Institute aspires to:

- a) evolve as an international and national centre of higher learning in traditional Chinese medicine;
- b) advance traditional Chinese medicine as a safe and effective option for primary health care;
- c) advance responsible integration and use of traditional Chinese medicine in health care;
- d) collaborate with other Australian and international centres of learning and practice in traditional Chinese medicine;
- e) collaborating with other branches of health science in clinically focused teaching and research involving traditional Chinese medicine.

### 3. CORPORATE MISSION:

For the ensuing five years [2007-11], the Sydney Institute of Health Sciences Pty Ltd, trading as Sydney Institute of Health Sciences and Sydney Institute of Traditional Chinese Medicine will seek to fulfill its vision by promoting innovative and clinically focused education in traditional Chinese medicine and related fields of health science of professional standard.

In particular, the Institute is committed to:

- a) providing an intellectually stimulating, culturally diverse, academically rigorous, clinically challenging, and interactive environment in which both faculty and students are encouraged to achieve their potential;
- b) delivering courses of academic and professional quality so as to equip graduates to serve as creative and responsible leaders in the practice of traditional Chinese medicine within Australia and international communities;
- c) encouraging and equipping graduates to interact and collaborate with practitioners of other health professions;
- d) encouraging graduates' commitment to lifelong learning through the development and provision of a variety of postgraduate and short education and training programs in current and emerging areas of need;
- e) integrating cognitive and experiential learning through the development of interactive teaching and clinical resources;
- f) developing (jointly and individually) networks of specialist traditional Chinese medicine clinics in urban and regional Australia as well as abroad; and
- g) promoting traditional Chinese medicine internationally, especially in the regions of Africa, Europe and the Americas.