



**Jillian Skinner**  
Minister for Health

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### **PROFESSOR BRAD FRANKUM**

Health Minister Jillian Skinner today congratulated Professor Brad Frankum on his election as president of the Australian Medical Association (NSW).

Professor Brad Frankum was elected unopposed following the end of the two-year term of Dr Saxon Smith. Professor Frankum was Dr Smith's vice-president during that time.

Professor Frankum has spent his life living and working in south-western Sydney. He is an allergy specialist and immunologist in the Campbelltown and Camden regions and is a member of the South Western Sydney Local Health District Board. He helped establish the medical school at the University of Western Sydney.

"I have worked with Brad Frankum over many years, in both Opposition and as Health Minister, and I hold him in very high regard," Mrs Skinner said.

"Professor Frankum understands the health challenges posed by growing populations and lifestyle-related chronic diseases - and thus the importance of preventative health.

"We also share a passion for ensuring young medical graduates have training pathways after university and are supported to become the doctors of the future."

Mrs Skinner wished Dr Smith well after his successful term as president.

"I congratulate Dr Smith for his work over the last two years and for the professional advice he has provided on a wide range of health issues, particularly in relation to his area of expertise, skin cancer," she said.