

Attention: Chair, Psychology Board of Australia

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Hi,

I am just responding to the Board's paper for the proposed system starting in 2010. In regards to the CPD about the Individual Supervision being compulsory part of development. Firstly I was wondering if group or peer supervision could be included under the 10 compulsory hours? Second if this is to be a compulsory part of registration then will this be discounted or made as a free service; as some companies offer this for free whereas other companies do not. If it is not free, will there be any guidelines to monitor the supervision fee's being charged as this can vary greatly and although tax deductable can be quiet expensive.

Regarding the Specialist Titles does this mean that more master programmes and places will be opened Australia wide? As currently several of the specialist areas are only provided in certain states (eg. Counselling is only in WA and VIC).

Regarding the recency of practice being at least 2 years of practice within the last 5 years. Does this also apply to maternity leave? Or taking time out of active practice to raise a child? Also how many hours per week/ftnight/month is considered active practice for registration and the recency of practice?

It would be helpful to be able to further understand these issues and have these areas further considered by the board.

Regards

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