



# The Australian College of Clinical Psychologists

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## Response to the Psychology Board of Australia

Re: Professional Indemnity Insurance Arrangements Registration Standard

Response due date: 28<sup>th</sup> February 2011

'Attention: Chair, Psychology Board of Australia' at [chair@psychologyboard.gov.au](mailto:chair@psychologyboard.gov.au)

### Written on behalf of the Australian College of Clinical Psychologists (ACCP):

The Board seeks feedback from stakeholders regarding whether these amounts are considered appropriate

"It is proposed that the minimum amounts to be set by the Board be based on the size and nature of the professional practice as follows:

Minimum amount of \$5 million for any one claim for:

1. independent private practitioners with a gross income less than \$40,000 per annum
2. practitioners with no independent private practice who practise psychology as an employee
3. practitioners with no independent private practice who do not provide direct clinical care and practise psychology as an academic, administrator, manager, advisor, researcher or other non-clinical role.

Minimum amount of \$10 million for any one claim for independent private practitioners with a gross income more than \$40,000 per annum.

These minimums are in line with those offered by insurers "

The Australian College of Clinical Psychologists would like to make the suggestion that the *above* statement be put forward in the form of advice rather than as a rule. Members of ACCP have made the comment that it is the responsibility of the professional to determine the insurance coverage that would best suite their place of work. Insurance Companies provide guides by stating minimum cover.

Signed  
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President