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CPD is vaguely defined in this document as well as for General registration. There is also a concern about how available CPD that involves written testing will actually be.

I wonder why there is no apparent referral to writing peer reviewed articles or expert edited books/book chapters related to Psychology and relevant to practice as appropriate CPD. It would seem that such publications require at least as great a depth of understanding if not more than the examples referring to reading professional articles and completing an assessment or giving an oral presentation to peers.

How is online assessment of one's reading to be conducted. Does the PBA propose to set up a structured reading series that is tested?

In my experience seminars and conferences rarely include written tests.

I presume presentation to peers includes conference presentations, though this is not clear, but how is a "new topic" in Psychology defined by the PBA? "New" is very ambiguous and under some interpretations would not be a common occurrence.

Is relevant conference attendance appropriate CPD?

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