Department of Health WA Clinical Psychology Reference Group

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Dear Associate Professor Grenyer,

Re: Consultation on Guideline Approved Training Programs In Psychology Supervision

Thank you for the opportunity to provide brief comment on the above guidelines.

The Health Dept of WA Clinical Psychology Reference Group welcomes the initiative by the PBA to give more prominence to the issue of standards for clinical supervision.

The paper and FAQ's on your website indicate that supervisors who are already approved by the WA Board prior to 1 July 2010 will be approved for supervision by the PBA until 30 June 2013. We are seeking clarification on whether ALL WA Registered Clinical Psychologists will therefore be deemed to have met this requirement, or whether it applies only to Registered Clinical Psychologists who have previously (or currently) provided Board Accredited supervision.

In relation to standards required for those who may provide training in supervision, the current paper provides only broad parameters for the standards required to meet criteria to provide supervision training. The Reference group would welcome further detail about the standards that will be required by the PBA (i.e. the approval process) to approve providers of supervision training and the opportunity for the profession to either comment on or participate in a review of the standards eventually proposed by the PBA.

Yours sincerely,

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