



**Attn Chair Psych Board Australia**  
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When considering submissions re practising requirements could the Board consider the following informed opinion  
I have been practising in rural and regional Victoria for over 30 years  
I have just completed a 2 year contract working in remote Central Australia Desert communities. I want to stress very strongly that mandatory ongoing Supervision by another appropriately qualified and experienced Psychologist is absolutely essential for safe practice for both client and psychologist especially in rural, regional and remote environments.  
Also this is a totally different issue to PD requirements and serves a very different purpose. PD improves your skill and knowledge base, while supervision provides feedback and peer review of practise.

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P.S I assume there will be Grandfathering of existing membership of Colleges to allow automatic National specialist registration?