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Subject: Fw: comment on PBA paper

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Dear Sir/Madam,

I refer to the Consultation Paper on codes and guidelines and, in particular, the sentiment expressed on page 53 where it says: "The Board has an obligation to the community that all psychologists who hold registration are safe and competent to practice psychology, including delivering psychotherapy for mental health problems using focused psychological strategies."

Practicing psychology is not the same thing as practicing psychotherapy. If the intent of this approach is to limit registration to psychotherapists, then the registration should be limited to the term 'psychotherapist' not 'psychologists'. As an organisational psychologist I have a unique set of skills that allow me to be safe and competent in an organisational setting. These do not include psychotherapy, but they do include a range of other skills that someone trained only in clinical psychology would not possess.

Regards

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