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Subject: Fw: Supervision Guidelines

Dear Brin

I would just like to take a brief moment to comment on the Guideline for Approved Training Programs in Supervision.

The practice of professional psychology requires professional preparation under the clinical supervision of an experienced and trained supervisor.

With the advent of the PBA, it is a signal moment of transformation in the profession in which appropriate standards can be put into place.

I would recommend that the PBA consider **increasing** the minimum standard for training of supervisors **from** 15 contact hours **to** an organised sequence of training that includes:

- a) introduction to theories and issues
- b) legislative context, Psychology Board of Australia requirements, professional and ethical issues
- c) research and readings, leading to an integration of these into an 8-10 page post-graduate level paper on *Personalised Theory and Philosophy of Supervision*
- d) supervised practice of one's supervision (including video recordings, which are reviewed with a training supervisor)
- e) satisfactory completion of an examination (which can be adequate quality of the paper on supervision, adequate demonstration of competencies via the video recordings of supervision, as well as adequate ability to discuss the supervision provided within the context of the theory)
- f) and which occurs over a period of from 6 to 12 months

I would be happy to discuss this in more detail at an appropriate time.

Thank you for your consideration,
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