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**To:** Psychconsultation

**Subject:** feedback on consultation paper of endorsements

To Whom It May Concern,

I have no issue in making the endorsement program rigorous, the issue is protecting the psychologists when they become endorsed.

As I have the Sport & Exercise endorsement, I see multiple psychologists, non-psychologists, mind coaches etc & whatever else they call themselves doing "sport psychology" work.

AHPRA appear not to protect our endorsement unless they label themselves a "Sport & Exercise Psychologist" which is very specific & narrow. These 'frauds' know & understand this, hence can carry on our work under a number of titles.

It is time AHPRA protected the people who are under them & have done all the hard work to reach this endorsement.

This further protects our clients who have little idea between a Sport Psychologist or a Mental Skills Coach, because in their mind, they are the same thing. The community need more education about this but have no guidance by AHPRA.

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