

Tuesday, 1 March 2016

To: Psychconsultation

Subject: Psychology Board of Australia's consultation paper - Area of Practice Endorsements

Dear Sir/ Madam,

As a member of the College of Counselling Psychologists, I am concerned with the definition and associated competencies for counselling psychology, as they appear in the Psychology Board's consultation paper. I have been in clinical practice for over 25 years working successfully, predominately with children and adolescents with a range of mental health disorders and would hope that the expertise of counselling psychologists continues to be recognised by the Psychology Board.

I support the attached document developed by the APS Counselling College, in conjunction with counselling psychology program coordinators. I believe the amended definition of counselling psychology and associated competencies more accurately reflects the teaching and practice of counselling psychology in Australia and is aligned with recognised international standards for counselling psychology.

Your sincerely,

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