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Subject: Fw: Attention: Chair, Psychology board of Australia.

Dear Sir/Madam,
Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the "Consultation Paper on Registration and Related Matters."

Because of shortage of time, my comments are provided in concise form.

1) Item 2.4 Continuing PD:
While I feel individual PD for provisional Psychologists, I do not agree with mandatory individual PD for registered practitioners. I believe this requirement should be amended to include group

supervision with the option of individual supervision, if the individual practitioner believes it to be appropriate.

I feel mandatory individual PD is both unnecessary and unworkable for those in geographically remote areas and an unnecessary financial restriction for all which would do little to assist already registered and experienced Psychologists.

2) Item 4.0 Proposal for Specialist Registration.
I feel the proposal for a Doctorate plus one year supervision is an unnecessary non-productive requirement.

I believe overall specialist training can be adequately achieved at Masters level, where an overview of a specialist area can be achieved. I feel a narrow area of research, as seen in most

Doctorates will certainly achieve knowledge IN THAT GIVEN AREA, but contributes little to specialty practice in a given area of psychology. I therefore believe that that an appropriately structured Masters qualification is more appropriate and perfectly adequate.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment and I look forward to further communications from the Board.

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