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Dear Ms Tankov

Re: Consultation Paper on Guidelines for the National Psychology Examination

I write in response to a request for comments from the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA) on the Consultation Paper on Guidelines for the National Psychology Examination.

The Psychology Board's position is that there are multiple pathways for supervised practice so a national exam will ensure all psychologists seeking general registration have the same level of knowledge.

However, NSW has concerns that after successfully completing 2 yrs of supervised practice under an Board Approved Supervisor, it would seem to be redundant and of questionable value to expect the person to also undertake an exam.

Having said that, there is some support for overseas trained psychologists (both seeking general registration and endorsed area of practice recognition) to undertake a national exam.

The Consultation Paper at present does not include information on cost, frequency and location of the exam or information for psychologists wanting to re-enter the profession whose registration has lapsed.

Should you require further information or advice please contact Anne Connolly on (02) 9391 9595 or via email at aconn@doh.health.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robyn Burley".

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