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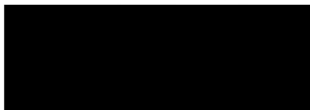
Medical Board of Australia

**Re: Consultation on revised CPD Registration standard**

Being a neurologist for more than 30 years, I criticise the proposed CPD requirements. I am enrolled in the RACP program and my views are flavoured by that environment.

- 1) What is the evidence (beyond expert opinion) that a formal process such as the RACP improves clinical outcomes?
- 2) The RACP program is ever-more prescriptive (25 points from this category, 25 from that). Yet another boss!
- 3) If taken seriously, the RACP program is a significant time cost in deskwork for documentation on top of any time spent learning.
- 4) There is a bias towards big hospital workers - there are more high-point-accruing activities involving groups than solitary practitioners. "Reviewing performance", mostly requiring peer involvement, are 3 times the value per hour than reading, attending lecture or teaching.
- 5) Fashion-proneness is worrying. In the early RACP "MOPS" program there was more worth ascribed to teaching others than teaching oneself, an anomaly replaced by those mentioned in the preceding paragraph. I would have to bend with the wind.

Yours sincerely



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