

## Public consultation on the proposed initial glossary of accreditation terms

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### Response template

This response template is the preferred way to provide your response to the public consultation on the draft proposed **initial glossary of accreditation terms**.

Please provide any feedback in this document, including your responses to all or some of the questions in the text boxes on the following pages. The boxes will expand to accommodate your response. You do not need to respond to a question if you have no comment.

### Making a submission

Please complete this response template and send to [accreditation.policy@ahpra.gov.au](mailto:accreditation.policy@ahpra.gov.au) using the subject line '*Feedback – public consultation on glossary of accreditation terms*'. **Submissions are due by COB 23 June 2023.**

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Do you want your responses to be published?

Yes – Please publish my response with my name

### Stakeholder details

Please provide your details in the following table:

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## Your responses to the consultation questions

### 1. Do you have any comments on the terms and/or meanings in Table 1 of the draft proposed initial glossary?

Please add your comments to the following table and add a new row for each term you have a comment for.

Term	Comments or suggested edits
<i>Example: Consumers</i>	<i>Example: suggest embedding 'employer' in the proposed meaning for the term consumers</i>
Professional capability/capabilities	We suggest to use the term " <i>professional competence/competencies</i> " only and avoid using the term " <i>capability/capabilities</i> ".  Being capable of doing something may not always being competent, as capability may be subjective while competency is defined by the profession competency standards of various agencies.

### 2. Are there any other terms you believe may be relevant to the areas of the committee's advice and that you would like to see included in a future version of the glossary?

No

**3. Do you have any general comments or other feedback about the draft proposed initial glossary?**

We have reviewed the glossary of terms and believe that all are appropriate and clear, except the item covered above.