

11 November 2009

Mr. Robert Fendall
Chair
Osteopathy Board of Australia
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Dear Mr. Fendall,

I am writing in response to the request for comment on the '*Consultation paper on registration standards and related matters*' issued by the Osteopathy Board of Australia (the Board) on October 27, 2009. Please find below my comments on each of the sections of the consultation paper.

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2.2 - English language skills

Under *Exemptions* at item 1(a), the proposed standard requires the applicant to provide evidence of successful completion of a secondary school education in English. This requirement may not be entirely realistic, particularly where there is a substantial period of time between the applicants secondary education and application to register. The two issues that this raises are; 1) what would happen if the applicant is not able to locate and therefore provide this evidence, and 2) how would this requirement ensure that an applicant has an appropriate level of English to practice in Australia. It may be more appropriate that this element of the standard is removed and that the requirement only be that the applicants' primary registerable qualification was taught and assessed in English.

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Age Group	Percentage Vaccinated
18-24	15%
25-34	45%
35-44	75%
45-54	85%
55-64	90%
65-74	95%
75+	90%

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Regards,

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