

Comments on the Draft Accreditation Standards: Medical Radiation Practice

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Thank you for the opportunity to respond to the draft accreditation standards document titled: Draft Accreditation Standards: Medical Radiation Practice.

At the focus meetings which preceded the release of draft accreditation standards, attendees were advised that the accreditation standards were to be simplified particularly in relation to previous standards 1-4. The reasons provided at the focus meetings and also restated in the draft accreditation standards documents, many standards / sub-standards are operational aspects of the provider and assessed as part of the university's TEQSA accreditation. We acknowledge and agree that it is important that the accreditation of Medical Radiation programs ensures that programs of study and education providers are meeting accreditation standards, however the focus of this document should be to ensure that "education providers give students the knowledge, skills and professional attributes to competently practise in the profession" https://www.medicalradiationpracticeboard.gov.au/Accreditation.aspx .

Upon examination of the content, this document does not reflect an appropriate balance between institution management and governance (Standards 1-4, pp 6-21) and ensuring that graduates from the program have the knowledge, skills and attributes necessary to practise the profession competently and safely in Australia (Standard 5, pp 22-24).

We ask that the Accreditation Committee re-examine the document with this in mind and consider reducing requirements throughout standards 1-4 and specifying (providing detail against) requirements in Standard 5.

Kind regards,



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