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Dear Executive Officer, Medical Board of Australia

I commend the Board on their efforts to amend the CPD registration standards for medical practitioners and support, Option 2 revising the proposed standards.

To this end, please consider the feedback below for Part B, page 19, Absence from practice.

**Page 19: Absence from practice**

Currently the section states that “before re-commencing practice, you must complete the equivalent of one year’s continuing professional development (CPD) activities, relevant to your intended scope of practice”.

Having reviewed the examples of Reviewing Performance and Measuring Outcomes activities on page 28, it is difficult to imagine how someone who is not currently in practice would undertake the individual or group-focused activities. Even the examples of activities not directly-focused on participant’s practice would be difficult for many practitioners to engage prior to re-commencing clinical practice.

Potential revisions could include:

1. Changing the requirements for absence of practice on page 19. For example, “before re-commencing practice, you must complete 50 hours of continuing professional development (CPD) activities from ANY of the three activity categories (i.e. 50 hours of education, reviewing performance, AND/OR measuring outcomes activities)”. Noting that like all other medical practitioners, by the end of the following year they will have reviewed their performance and measured outcomes relevant to their scope of practice.
2. Broadening the examples for the reviewing performance and measuring outcomes activities on Page 28, so they more obviously apply to practitioners not currently in clinical practice and with limited, if any access to patients or services. Practitioners planning to re-commence clinical practice require clear examples, particularly for individual-focused or group-focused activities that they could realistically undertake before they resume clinical practice.

Thank you for your consideration of this feedback.

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