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Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency

## Public consultation

### Proposed *Supervised practice framework* and supporting documents

#### General information about your submission

<b>Name of your organisation/body</b>	Podiatry Accreditation Committee (Committee)
<b>Name of a contact person</b> (if we need further information)	[REDACTED]
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#### Public consultation questions

The Boards are inviting feedback on the following questions and the Podiatry Accreditation Committee (the Committee) provides their responses below.

<b>1. How helpful and clear is the content and structure of the proposed framework? Please explain your answer.</b>
<p>The Committee found the content and structure of the proposed framework clear and helpful.</p> <p>The Committee notes the Podiatry Board of Australia's endorsement of scheduled medicines (Pathway B) sits outside the scope of the proposed framework. The Committee further notes the Podiatry Board of Australia has set the parameters for supervised practice under path B in the ESM Registration Standards (2018), so the Committee suggests the proposed framework would apply to other situations such as <i>'return to practice'</i> or <i>'overseas applicant'</i>.</p>
<b>2. Is the meaning of 'consult' clear for the purposes of the supervised practice levels? Why or why not?</b>
<p>The Committee did not find any concerns with the meaning of 'consult' for the purposes of the supervised practice levels.</p> <p>The Committee supports a unified approach between professions to assist a patient's understanding and transparency of their treatment, and to help ensure consistency and rigour in the process.</p>

**3. Is there any content that needs to be changed, added or removed in the proposed framework and/or supporting documents? If so, please provide details.**

The Committee:

- notes that detail around scope of supervision and consultation would be defined on a case-by-case basis, and
- suggests an explicit reference (and commitment) to “Cultural Safety” alongside “Patient Safety” in Section 4 (**Principles**).

**4. Are there any other ways that the Board can support supervisees, supervisors and employers involved in the supervised practice arrangement?**

The Committee has no further comments.

**5. Is there anything else the Board should consider in its proposal to adopt the framework and supporting documents, such as impacts on workforce or access to health services?**

The Committee has no further comments.

**6. Do you have any other comments on the proposed framework and/or supporting documents?**

The Committee has no further comments.