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Dear Mr Reinhard

The Medical Radiation Practitioners Board of Victoria appreciates this opportunity to comment on the proposed guidelines relating to CPD and Recency of Practice.

The Board agrees, to its submission being published on the MRPBA's website.

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Registrar

A review of the Medical Radiation Practice Board of Australia's Consultation Paper on Continuing Professional Development and Recency of Practice Guidelines

CPD

The terms "CPD activities" and "CPD program" are both used with the guideline. CPD activities are well explained but the CPD program is not defined. A definition should be included in the definitions section to enhance understanding.

Appendix 1, Page 6, Para 1, last sentence states "A minimum of 20 hours is required annually." This conflicts with Page 2, Guideline, Para 2 which states "the Board's Registration Standard requires practitioners to complete 60 hours of CPD activity over a three year period, with a minimum of 10 CPD hours in any one year."

This conflict should be resolved by correcting the statement in the Draft Guideline to accurately reflect the Standard.

Recency of Practice

The draft guideline include sections dealing with "*applicants who have not undertaken clinical practice for a period of 3 years or more but less than 5 years*" and

Applicants for registration "*who have been absent from practice in the preceding 5 years for five years*".

To be consistent, the latter section should be better expressed as "applicants who have not undertaken clinical practice for a period of 5 or more years".

The draft goes on to detail the process of application and supporting documentation required for the two sections. However, these requirements are (or should be) the same and this information should be consolidated to cover all applicants who have not undertaken clinical practice for 3 or more years. This also applies to the Board's consideration of the application and the Matters for Consideration.

Inclusion of a requirement for monitoring progress and / or assessment of outcome is also required.

The "Return to Practice Plan" is missing from Appendix 1 and therefore could not be reviewed.