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Dear Adam

RE: Medical Radiation Practice Board of Australia Supervised Practice Guidelines and Professional Capabilities for Medical Radiation Practice

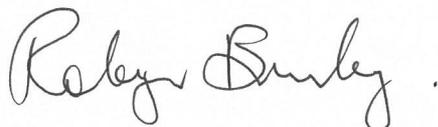
I write to provide NSW advice on the draft Supervised Practice Guidelines and Professional Capabilities for Medical Radiation Practitioners, released by the Medical Radiation Practice Board for public comment.

NSW has no objections to the proposed Supervised Practice Guidelines. However, the document's proposed implementation date of November 2013 could be adjusted to allow further time for the professional development of supervisors, to attain the skills and experience required to supervise under the Guidelines. Interim advice from the Medical Radiation Practice Board, before the guidelines are implemented, regarding the appropriate resources and training required for applicant supervisors would also be beneficial.

I note that the Professional Capabilities for Medical Radiation Practice has a number of entry-level domains. NSW understands that practitioners re-entering the workforce may have difficulty meeting the requirements of Domain 6A 'Practice in diagnostic radiography'. In particular, the requirement for the implementation of Computed Tomography Imaging and for knowledge of the protocols applicable to neurological Magnetic Resonance Imaging may fall outside of the existing capabilities of those re-entering the workforce. We would therefore request re-consideration of these requirements.

If you have any questions regarding this correspondence please contact Ms Deborah Frew, Deputy Director, Workforce Strategy and Culture on 9391 9523 or via email dfrew@doh.health.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



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