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Submission in response to The Occupational Therapy Board of Australia-Consultation Paper- Proposed Registration Standards.

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Introduction

Thank you for the opportunity of commenting on this important consultation draft paper. The Office of the Health Services Commissioner (HSC) is an impartial alternative health disputes resolution unit which receives and resolves complaints from users of health services with a view to improving the quality of services for everyone. The HSC is a State based independent statutory authority. HSC has jurisdiction over all health service providers whether they are registered or not.

I have reviewed the Occupational Therapy Board of Australia Consultation Paper – Proposed Registration Standards for:

- 1. Continuing professional development (CPD) and CPD Guidelines
- 2. Criminal history
- 3. English language skills
- 4. Professional indemnity insurance (PII)
- 5. Recency of practice

The standards are comprehensive, clear, well expressed and unequivocal.

I do not have anything further to suggest for this standard.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you wish to discuss further on 8601 5216.

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