

I consider 30 hours per annum for CPD too high, especially for clinicians who work in rural areas and have limited access to workshops and conferences. Rural clinicians have to factor in travel time and costs, plus accommodation, on top of registration costs, and this can easily amount to close to \$1000 per workshop/conference. 30 hours is also too high for part-time clinicians and those on maternity leave, even allowing that they would be doing much of their CPD outside of work hours. Note that nurses and physiotherapists are required to show evidence for 20 hours and colleagues from these disciplines say this is just manageable, given work, family and other commitments.

I note in Category 3 that Supervision of another OT is included, but it doesn't allow for receiving supervision. Surely receiving supervision is a prime learning opportunity with a supervisor ensuring that new learning is applied to practice. Similarly peer supervision is not included. In many rural areas peer supervision is the only form of supervision available.

Let's make registration achievable and not onerous.

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