

After reviewing the submissions presented by the Board of Occupational Therapy in preparation for registration next year, we would like to raise the following for consideration.

- It would appear that there is no consideration for part time workers with the amount of CPD required each year. Part time workers have less access to professional development opportunities within the workplace and we believe it would be reasonable to have different expectations for a professional who works one day a week to a person who works full time. We do not believe the potential areas of CPD or the format of the program should change, just the expected hours.
- It would appear that when a supervisor is engaged in supervision this process cannot be claimed as part of their CPD hours. We would argue that any participation in supervision, by either the supervisor or the supervisee, could be an opportunity for professional development.
- We record our professional development on a Human Resource database. We would like to see some flexibility in the way CPD plans and recording of evidence can be collected and presented if required as part of an audit.

Thank you for considering the above and please feel free to contact us if further information is required.

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