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Thank you asking for my input in the Revalidation debate. As a general practitioner I recognise that it is critical to stay in touch with the latest developments in medicine and to apply these in practice so our patients get the best medical care. I think that the current CPD program administered by the RACGP is reasonable in this regard. If there is concern at the Medical Board that this is inadequate and that the Australian GP medical workforce is not performing to the prescribed/expected medical standard , then a dialogue with the RACGP is in order. However, in this age of declining GP Medicare rebates and lack of support to medical practitioners by the Governments of the day , care needs to be taken to ensure that any changes are not onerous and expensive. One option would be have standard "update" type medical courses that GPs could attend annually, but these should be funded by the Government or by AHPRA.

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