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Dear Dr Flynn

Australian and New Zealand College of Anaesthetists
Medical Board of Australia Consultation – Core registration standards

As you would be aware the Australian and New Zealand College of Anaesthetists (ANZCA), which includes the Faculty of Pain Medicine, is committed to high standards of clinical practice in the fields of anaesthesia and pain medicine. ANZCA is the education and training body responsible for the postgraduate medical training programs and continuing professional development in anaesthesia and pain medicine for Australia, New Zealand and parts of Asia. We have provided feedback on the core registration below.

Professional indemnity insurance

The proposed revised standard appears appropriate; the College supports its adoption and has no additional comments.

Continuing professional development

The proposed revised standard appears appropriate; the College supports its adoption.

The current standard under “Section 5 temporary absence from practice” provides specific advice on CPD requirements during a period of temporary absence. This includes a period of up to one year with no CPD requirement as well as a pro rata of CPD activities for temporary absences between one and three years. The ANZCA CPD program includes the “Special Consideration Policy” (available from <http://www.anzca.edu.au/fellows/continuing-professional-development/2014-cpd-program/2014-cpd-standard>) which provides consideration for temporary absences and potential waivers of minimum requirements on a case-by case basis. Should the revised standard not be adopted the College would consider

more direct alignment with the current standard. We will await the outcome of the current revision prior to considering any changes.

Recency of practice

The proposed revised standard appears appropriate, the College supports its adoption and has no additional comments.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment. Should you require any further information, please contact Jonathon Kruger, General Manager Policy via email jkruger@anzca.edu.au or telephone +61 3 8517 5341. We look forward to the outcomes of the current consultation.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Genevieve', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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