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Hi there, Im not sure if this is the type of feedback you are looking for, but I thought I would take the opportunity to let you know how all of these standards affect me. I am a former rural GP who left medicine for 4 ½ years to raise my children and have entered back into suburban general practice 5 years ago and work on average 10 hours a week over 2 days. My MIGA insurance is around \$4000, APHRA \$695 and for reasons yet for me to understand, to be registered with APHRA I must have CPD accreditation with RACGP even though I am not a RACGP member, so I give \$495 each year to RACGP so they can count my CPD points and issue me a certificate. Overall I need to pay over \$6000 each year so that I have the opportunity to work as a GP, which is well over 6 weeks before tax income for me. Im not sure in how many professions someone has to work the first 6 weeks of the year, just to pay the costs they need to be eligible to work!!

Indemnity cover I understand, but again I think the indemnity should be on my pre tax earnings , not my medicare billings as obviously my practice takes a share of that, and I am quite capable of counting my CPD points myself each year and would gladly save \$495. I still don't understand why registration went from around \$500 to \$695 with no concessions if you are only working part time....

So there is my grumble. I would love to know how our health body APHRA is going to protect GPs from the new government copayment, and in reality how is that going to work. May see early retirement coming on, or choosing a more worker user friendly profession if it all gets too hard....

Kind Regards and thanks for reading

