

Feedback template

Public consultation on proposed entry level competencies for dental specialties

Public consultation

The Dental Board of Australia (the Board) in partnership with the Dental Council of New Zealand (the Council) is releasing this public consultation paper on the proposed entry level competencies for dental specialties.

Your feedback

You are invited to provide feedback by email to dentalboardconsultation@ahpra.gov.au by close of business on Monday 15 February 2016.

You are welcome to supply a PDF file of your feedback in addition to the word (or equivalent) file, however we request that you do supply a text or word file. As part of an effort to meet international website accessibility guidelines, AHPRA and the National Boards are striving to publish documents in accessible formats (such as Word), in addition to PDFs. More information about this is available at www.ahpra.gov.au/About-AHPRA/Accessibility.aspx.

How your submission will be treated

1. Submissions will generally be published unless you request otherwise. The Board publishes submissions on its websites to encourage discussion and inform the community and stakeholders. However, the Board retains the right not to publish submissions at their discretion, and will not place on their website, or make available to the public, submissions that contain offensive or defamatory comments or which are outside the scope of the consultation.
1. Before publication, the Board will remove personally-identifying information from submissions, including contact details.
2. You are encouraged to complete the feedback template to assist in focussing responses and to ensure clear presentation and interpretation of your submission.
3. The views expressed in the submissions are those of the individuals or organisations who submit them and their publication does not imply any acceptance of, or agreement with, these views by the Board.
4. The Board also accepts submissions made in confidence. These submissions will not be published on the website or elsewhere. Submissions may be confidential because they include personal experiences or other sensitive information. Any request for access to a confidential submission will be determined in accordance with the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* (Cwlth), which has provisions designed to protect personal information and information given in confidence.
5. Please let the Board know if you do not want your submission published, or want all or part of it treated as confidential.

General information about your submission

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| Who is the submission from? | The Academy of Australian and New Zealand Prosthodontists |
| If we need to follow up with someone, who should we contact? | Dr. Cosimo Maiolo _____ Dr. Gerard Clausen _____ |
| Would you like your submission published on the Board's website? | Yes |

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| Specific consultation questions and section for responses |
| Do you understand the reason why we have developed the proposed competencies and how we are going to use them? |
| Yes/No Yes |
| Comments |
| Is there any content that you think should be changed or deleted in the proposed competencies? Yes |
| Dento-maxillofacial radiology |
| Yes/No |
| Comments |
| Endodontics |
| Yes/No |
| Comments |
| Forensic Odontology |

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| Yes/No |
| Comments |
| Oral Medicine |
| Yes/No |
| Comments |
| Oral Pathology |
| Yes/No |
| Comments |
| Oral Surgery |
| Yes/No |
| Comments |
| Orthodontics |
| Yes/No |
| Comments |
| Periodontics |
| Yes/No |

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| Comments |
| Prosthodontics |
| Yes/No Yes |
| Comments <p>On behalf of the Academy of Australian and New Zealand Prosthodontists we acknowledge receipt of the Public Consultation document on proposed entry-level competencies for dental specialties.</p> <p>The academy respectfully requests that consideration be given to the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Attachment A, Appendix M (page 68) Dental Specialist Competencies: Restorative Dentistry (New Zealand only). <p>Whilst it is noted that this specialty is not recognised by the Dental Board of Australia, the Academy of Australian and New Zealand Prosthodontists questions why competencies in this area of practice are included in the document at all. It is our understanding that no postgraduate course exists in the discipline of “Restorative Dentistry “, and has not existed for some years. It is therefore difficult to see why competencies are proposed for an area of practice for which no training program is available.</p> <p>In addition the proposed competencies mirror those for the recognised specialty of Prosthodontics so closely that this can only cause confusion between the correct description and competencies for Prosthodontics and the term “ Restorative Dentistry”. There are no discernable differences between the competencies described in Appendix L and Appendix M (Attachment A).</p> <p>The Academy of Australian and New Zealand Prosthodontists submits that the term restorative dentistry and any listing of proposed competencies should be deleted from the document to reflect current specialist disciplines and current specialist training programs and pathways.</p> |

2. Appendix L, Domain number 4, Specific Competencies;

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(c). the clinical and laboratory principles involved in design of prostheses for the replacement of oral and maxillofacial structures
- Please add the word “implant” in what is currently (c) ie to read “removable, fixed and implant oral and maxillofacial prosthodontics”
- Please add the following additional topic “digital technologies”

3. Appendix L, Domain number 5, Specific Competencies

- Please add the following additional topic (e). “evaluating and managing sleep disorders”

Please contact us if you require further elaboration on this.

Public Health

Yes/No

Comments

Special Needs

Yes/No

Comments

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| We are proposing that the competencies be reviewed in five years time with the option to review earlier if needed. Do you agree? |
| Yes/No Yes |
| Comments |
| Do you have any other comments? |

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