



COLLEGE OF CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGISTS

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Mr Brin Grenyer
Chair
Psychology Board of Australia

Dear Brin

Re: Response to PBA Consultation Paper – Psychological Testing

On behalf of the National Committee of the College, I commend the PBA on raising this difficult but very important area of practice regulation. I share the PBA's concern that inappropriate psychological testing or incompetent practice in psychological testing can cause significant harm to consumers and the public.

In general, I support the recommendations that the PBA has made in the consultation paper. I would only add that the regulation of this area of practice needs to include that the practice of psychological testing should only be undertaken by those who have postgraduate training which has included supervised components of psychological testing. However, I would support that the administration of many of the psychometric tools could be undertaken by those psychologists with an undergraduate degree if done under supervision of an appropriately-credentialed psychologist and that the interpretation and report writing of the testing only be practiced by an appropriately-credentialed psychologist (i.e. postgraduate trained).

Thank you for the opportunity to make comment.

Yours truly

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Deborah Wilmoth".

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Chair