



Ms Bronwyn Nardi  
Chair, Practitioner Regulation Subcommittee  
Health Workforce Principal Committee

Dear Ms Nardi,

**Re Other Matters Submission**

I provide the following comment on behalf of the Medical Board of South Australia (MBSA).

**Proposal 3.5.2** refers to panels convened to hear individual matters (health, performance or conduct) but makes no mention of the need for panels to hear reinstatement applications from those practitioners who have been removed from the Register.

The MBSA believes that this will continue to be a necessary function and would best be carried out by an appropriately convened panel.

**Proposal 3.5.3** outlines panel membership but makes no reference to a legally qualified member.

The MBSA believes that hearing panels benefit from the inclusion of a legally qualified member in addition to the professionally qualified and lay members already identified.

**Proposal 4.1.1** – MBSA prefers Option 1

**Proposal 4.1.2** – MBSA prefers Option 1

**5.1 Options for interaction of national scheme with other legislative schemes**

The options identified throughout Table 1 with respect to Freedom of Information, Privacy and confidentiality, Ombudsman legislation, financial accountability legislation, public sector administration legislation, statutory interpretation legislation, warrant powers and working with children checks legislation are all appropriate.

However the statement with respect to special events legislation is not completely clear. “..... it is proposed that existing State and Territory legislation, where it exists, continues to apply”. No mention is made of the arrangement where such legislation does not exist.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Yours sincerely

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