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Hi Jill – I am waiting for the minutes of the last Physio meeting to be approved by Anne Deans – however, just in case they don't make it in time for the 29<sup>th</sup> deadline for this consultation paper – I thought I had better send an extract from those minutes relating to the comments of the NSW Board on this paper. Please find below. Thanks, T

The Physiotherapy Board of Australia has released a consultation paper titled *Registration Standard and Guidelines: Limited Registration*.

The Board noted that pages 3-5 of the guidelines remained unchanged from the previous guidelines.

The Board recommended that:

- The word "new" be added on p.7 at point 1 under Change of employment, and p.13 at point A to read: *"provide the Board with a letter from the **new** employer confirming the offer of employment including dates, location and scope of practice"*;
- Clarification be sought in relation to limited registration in the public interest on p.13 regarding the period of registration for applicants registering late in the year where registration would need to be granted for over 12 months to avoid having to renew within a short period but are currently limited to 12 months by the registration standard;
- The statement under Change of employment on p.10 stating: *"The Board will not renew... can be made,"* should be clarified;
- The guidelines be either fleshed out or removed as they were too similar to the standards and therefore redundant;

The Board noted that there were many cases of older applicants being required to sit the IELTS as they had completed their schooling outside Australia but had been residing in Australia for many years and had completed tertiary and post-graduate education in Australia. The Board recommended that any review of the English Language Skills Registration Standard should consider whether higher degrees obtained in Australia should be considered as grounds for exemption from the IELTS requirement.