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Survey

Between 27th March and 10th April a survey was conducted amongst psychologists to ascertain their views on the policies of the Australian Association of Psychologists inc in respect of the two tier Medicare scheme, the role of the APS as the gatekeeper for Medicare PD requirements, endorsement v unendorsement and recognition of qualifications.

Responses to the survey were received from the equivalent to approximately 50% of the AAPi membership

The questions posed in the survey and the overall response is detailed below.

Q1. Do you agree that a single Medicare rebate should apply to all registered psychologists 95.18% Yes 4.82% No

Q2. Do you think that the APS should control PD for Medicare 10.84% Yes 89.16% No

Q3. Do you think that all psychologists registered on 30th June 2010 should be "Endorsed" 92.77% Yes 7.23% No

Q4. Do you agree that prior learning and experience that qualified psychologists to practice prior to 30th June 2010 should be recognized 97.56% Yes 2.44% No

The results of this survey are an endorsement of the policies of the Australian Association of Psychologists inc and fully support the recommendations put to the Senate Finance and Public Administration References Committee for the Inquiry into the Administration of Health Practitioners Registration by The Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency.