

Via Email 3/10/2011

Attention MRPBA,

I wish to give my opinion on the proposed registration standards for radiographers. I am very much opposed to the mandatory CPD proposal. The 60hr per triannium is way too excessive, most radiographers are family people who will find being forced to go to meeting and seminars very difficult. CPD will not change how we do our x-ray! I do not support any form of compulsory CPD. Has the board even considered the follow on effects from this proposal. Increased costs to small business with radiographers demanding conference leave and subsidisation or increased pay in order to recover the cost of seminars. Some employers may reimburse, some may not. In the end registrants will lose out financially somehow. If one is going to be forced on us regardless of what the majority want then I implore some sense be used in making the conditions less stringent. Fewer required hours, and flexibility in how we can accrue hours for a start. I do not wish to be forced to attend endless expensive conferences.

How much will our registration now cost? There is no indication of the cost of this new boards registration. Economies of scale would suggest it should be lower then current levels.??? Perhaps an excuse will be found for a big premium hike.

Perhaps the Board would be better off looking out for the interests of registrants by putting a stop to the massive increases in radiographer graduates the universities are churning out with no regard to their employment prospects. Huge numbers of graduates are now being thrown into the small market for technologists with terrible consequences for them and current radiographers who feel their positions threatened with busloads of cheap labour. Huge supply and low demand = poor pay and conditions. These are the important issues for radiology staff not CPD etc.

Yours sincerely.

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