

# Revised College CPD Requirements due to COVID-19

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As widely communicated throughout 2020, in March 2020 the Medical Board of Australia announced that it would not take action if you could not meet the CPD registration standard when you renewed your medical registration in September 2020.

This important gesture had less relevance for College given we were in the early months of our new biennium. However, given the possible disruptions and obstacles Fellows might experience in progressing with CPD in 2020, the CPD Committee made points generation easier and compliance simpler for 2020 by:

- Increasing the number of 'Forum' points allowable from 20 points to 40 points. (Fellows could meet the minimum requirements for 2020 by doing 50 hours of personal reading including 'Forums').
- Reducing the category requirements from 10 points to 5 points for the biennium.
- College undertaking not to audit 2020 activities.

In February 2021, the Medical Board of Australia announced that CPD will return to pre-COVID normal.

Please see the below requirements Fellows must complete to meet compliance of the 2020-2021 CPD Program:

- Obtain a minimum of 200 points over the two year cycle;
- Obtain a minimum of 50 points per year with a maximum of 150 points allowable per year;
- Obtain a minimum of 5 Category One points over the two year cycle;
- Obtain a minimum of 5 Category Two points over the two year cycle;
- Obtain a minimum of 5 Category Three points over the two year cycle;
- Complete 1 CPD Learning Plan over the two year cycle.

Note activities completed in 2020 will not be audited.

The Committee will continue to monitor the changing situation and the advice of the Government and adapt requirements where necessary.