

**Subject:** Submission Re: compulsory therapeutics  
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To whom it may concern:

I am a therapeutically qualified optometrist who is thoroughly against the board's attempt to make therapeutic qualifications compulsory.

Considering the change to continuing education where we now need to have a percentage of face to face CPD, which is discriminatory against remote and rural optometrists such as myself and my wife, I must question the motives and actions of this board. The dictatorial manner in which you are operating concerns me. I would like to see a board much more conservative in its operation.

I have read and re-read the terms of this debate and it cannot be mistaken that the board is trying to force compulsory therapeutics even though subsequently the board has issued a statement to contrary. It seems that a back peddling process has taken place.

You must consider that making the course compulsory will cause the already expensive cost of the course to skyrocket because of simple supply and demand economics.

Please desist from this course of action.

Yours truly,

John Kelly