

CERTIFICATION OF ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY

I am providing this reference for _____ (name of applicant)
who is applying for New Zealand registration as a practitioner under the Health Practitioners
Competence Assurance Act 2003.

Referee's Details:

Name:

Position Title:

Employer:

Email address:

Registration Number:

Scope of Practice:

Please comment on the applicant's **English language competence** for each of the following:
Full and complete answers are required for each question on this form. (One word or single phrase responses
are not sufficient).

The applicant understands **verbal** instructions or requests:

The applicant can clearly **write** their thoughts, including instructions or requests:

The applicant clearly **articulate** their thoughts, including instructions and requests:

The applicant correctly **interprets** clinical reports and takes appropriate action:

The applicant demonstrates understanding of **written** instructions or requests:

Do you have any further comments about the applicant's ability to communicate in English (including writing, reading, listening and speaking)?

Is the applicant related to you? Yes No

How long and in what capacity have you known the applicant?

Declaration

I declare that:

- the applicant has resided in New Zealand for a continuous period of at least two years within the five years immediately before applying for registration;
- to the best of my knowledge the above information is true; and
- English is my primary language.

Signed

Date

Notes:

1. Under Section 172 of the Health Practitioners Competence Assurance Act 2003 every person commits an offence if they make any declaration or representation that, to their knowledge is false or misleading, and may be liable on summary of conviction to a fine not exceeding \$10,000
2. Council may directly contact you to confirm the verifications you have made on this form.

Use of Reference

Health Practitioners Competence Assurance Act 2003.

The information and opinion you provided are confidential to the Medical Sciences Council of New Zealand. Council will use the information as part of its consideration of the suitability of the candidate for registration under s.16 of the Health Practitioners Competence Assurance Act 2003.

Privacy Act 1993

Any reference you provide may be made available to the candidate on request under the provisions of the Privacy Act 1993.