

INTEGRATED MODEL OF CPD AND MAINTENANCE OF LICENCE



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STRUCTURE OF THE PRESENTATION

- 1.Introduction - Registration vs Licence**
- 2.Purpose of Maintenance of Licence (MoL)**
- 3.Challenges with current CPD & HPCSA response**
- 4.Rationale for MoL**
- 5.Integrated model for CPD and MoL**
- 6.Where are we in the process?**
- 7.Questions**

REGISTRATION

2007 CPD compulsory:
professions registered with
the HPCSA

Goal: Encourage update of
knowledge and skills for
ethical & competent
practice

Currently: registration on an
annual basis to practice
profession

HPCSA conducts random
checks on adherence

LICENCE

HPCSA 2013: practitioners
required to have a licence
to practice profession

With licensure: demonstrate
compliance with Board's
requirements

5-year licensure credentialing
cycle

PRIMARY PURPOSE FOR MOL

Ensure that all practitioners maintain and improve their:

- professional knowledge
- skills and
- performance
- for improved patient/client and health systems outcomes

SO WHY NOT CPD?

Current focus of CPD: primarily CE to update knowledge

Research: Acquired knowledge meaningful only when it offers an opportunity for a change in practice.

Translation of knowledge into practice - not optimal with a lag between acquiring knowledge and applying it in practice (Mickan, 2014, Wallace and May, 2016)

Lag impact profound (Wallace and May, 2016)

- 30% to 40% of patients don't receive care informed by best evidence
- 20% to 50% receive inappropriate care

HPCSA critically reflected on current CPD program in light of research & international trends

CPD should be: patient / client centered, more comprehensive, include a wide range of learning activities (not only CE), focus on improved practice and outcomes and be linked to MoL

Goal: guide genuine learning & enable improvement of professional competence and performance

SHIFT IN THINKING RE CPD

Currently CPD requires practitioners to record the number of credits

Equating number of CEUs with competence is erroneous (Ahmed, et al, 2013) & doesn't indicate genuine learning or change performance quality

2013 HPCSA survey - 67.5% of practitioners, across Boards, engaged with CPD because it was a mandatory expectation of the HPCSA

Need to move from engaging with CPD because it is mandatory to CPD for improving practice

SHIFT IN THINKING RE CPD

Currently, many practitioners meet mandatory CPD CEUs opportunistically, erratically or casually (Ahmed, et al., 2013)

CPD impact limited when undertaken in an ad hoc manner, and contributes little to improved clinician performance or patient/client health outcomes (Wallace & May, 2016).

Learning activities that

- enhance participant activity,
- use multiple exposures to content,
- encourage reflection on current practices,
- provide opportunities to practice skills and
- help clinicians identify gaps between current performance and an identified standard

often result in highly significant changes in practice and patient outcomes (Wallace & May 2016).

RATIONALE FOR MOL

Comprehensive CPD models - practitioners set out their CPD requirements and demonstrate how their CPD activities improve their professional performance and patient/client health.

Such models recognize that different professionals will have different development needs and require practitioners to take greater ownership of their professional development.

The new HPCSA model will shift control of learning to individual health practitioners, enabling them to reflect on their learning needs and to design their own learning programmes (Institute of Medicine, 2009).

- Input-based systems (Wallace & May 2016) like CPD in South Africa - delivered primarily through lectures, conferences & workshops (HPCSA CPD Survey 2013)
- Such systems are simple, cost effective and provide an easily quantifiable method of measuring individual CPD activity (Wallace & May, 2016)

- Didactic learning activities
 - little effect on improving competence and performance
 - no significant effect on patient health outcomes and health systems (Shibu 2015; Wallace & May 2016)
- Internationally, professional bodies have moved towards outcomes based CPD (Wallace & May, 2016)

RATIONALE FOR MOL

A CPD programme should effectively address the gap between optimal evidence based practice and actual clinical practice (Légaré F et al, 2015)

Given the evidence: HPCSA proposes a more comprehensive model of CPD

- empower practitioners to reflect on their learning and development needs
- pursue an individualized learning program to improve
 - knowledge
 - performance
 - patient outcomes
 - health systems strengthening

Engagement with this model of CPD requires practitioners to demonstrate knowledge and performance in order to maintain a licence to practice

Knowledge

A lower rate of mortality and morbidity in patients was reported for surgeons and cardiologists who underwent certification (MOL) compared to those who lacked certification (Ahmed, et al., 2013).

Clinical skills

Pediatricians using multiple skills acquisition methods showed significant improvement in skills (Ahmed, et al., 2013).

Clinician Performance:

- Interactive CPD sessions involving skills training effects change in professional practice and healthcare outcomes (Ahmed, et al., 2013)
- CPD significantly reduced the age-related decline in the diagnostic performance of general practitioners (Butterworth and Reppert, cited in Ahmed, et. al., 2013)

MOL model based on outcomes of consultative workshops held with professional boards during 2014 - 2015, and further developed by CPD & Professional Board teams 2017-2019

Principles:

- Process is developmental and supports professional development
- MOL will be a quality improvement process i.e. improving the quality of health care
- Engender public confidence in health care practitioners' knowledge and performance

What does
practitioner
need to do?

**Reflect
on own
practice**

**Reflect on
own
practice
across
domains**

DOMAINS of PRACTICE

1. Professionalism
2. Safety & quality
3. Communication
4. Knowledge, skills & performance

DOMAINS OF PRACTICE

Practice requires competencies that extend beyond professional knowledge and skills and includes

- communication
- professionalism
- interpersonal collaboration

DOMAINS OF PRACTICE

Establishing South African Domains of Practice

	NZMC	GMC	FSMB	South Africa
Professionalism	X		X	X
Communication	X	X	X	X
Interpersonal			X	
Professional Care Knowledge/Skills	X	X	X	X
Collaboration and Management	X	X		
Scholarship	X			
Safety and Quality		X		X
Maintaining Trust		X		
Systems based practice			X	2 2

SA DOMAINS

SUB-DOMAINS

PROFESSIONALISM

- Good practice
- Integrity
- Intercultural competence

SAFETY AND QUALITY

- Systems to protect patients/clients/ health practitioners
- Respond to risks to safety
- Protect patients/ clients/ health practitioners from risks posed by colleagues

COMMUNICATION

- Communicate effectively
- Work constructively with colleagues

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND PERFORMANCE

- Develop and maintain professional performance
- Apply knowledge and experience to practice
- Maintain clear, accurate and legible records

ON WHAT

**Reflect
on own
practice**

DOMAINS

1. Professionalism
2. Safety & quality
3. Communication
4. Knowledge, skills & performance

HOW - tools

ESSENTIAL KNOWLEDGE

Accredited self assessment programs

PERFORMANCE

Chart audit and feedback
360/ Multisource Feedback
Direct observation
Peer engagement and feedback
Practice assessment
Accredited simulation activities
Annual performance review
Critical incident
Adverse events

Reflect
on own
practice

DOMAINS

1. Professionalism
2. Safety & quality
3. Communication
4. Knowledge, skills & performance

Accredited self assessment programs (essential knowledge quiz)
Chart audit and feedback
360/ Multisource Feedback
Direct observation
Peer engagement and feedback
Practice assessment
Accredited simulation activities
Annual performance review
Critical incident
Adverse events

Determine
learning
needs

HPCSA MODEL FOR MOL

Determine
learning
needs

Develop
individualized
learning plan

Develop
individualized
learning plan

Engage
with CPD

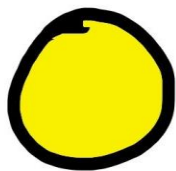
(expanded range of
options)

ARE WE REINVENTING THE WHEEL?

DON'T REINVENT
THE WHEEL



JUST REDESIGN IT



How:

- Use our existing practices for knowledge and skills acquisition
- Leverage on what works best
- e.g. laboratory professionals have QA processes (SANAS) which can support MoL

Fit for the purpose of
maintaining licence to practice

Includes what practitioners may already be doing;
recognizes self study and unaccredited activities.

Broad categories

- Group learning
- Individual
 - Formal learning
 - Self learning
 - Systems? learning
- Assessment

EXPANDED RANGE OF CPD OPTIONS

(ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS CANADA 2019)

Group Learning

Accredited Group
Learning Activities
(face to face; online)

Conferences,
Rounds,
Journal clubs,
Small groups

1 credit/hour

Unaccredited Group
Learning activities
(face to face; online)
No industry sponsorship

Rounds,
Journal clubs,
Small groups

0.5 credits/
hour

EXPANDED RANGE OF CPD OPTIONS

(ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS CANADA 2019)

Formal learning

Learning activities initiated by a practitioner (independently or in collaboration with peers or mentors) to address a need, problem, issue or goal relevant to their professional practice

Fellowships

100 credits/year

Formal courses

25 credits/course

Personal learning projects

2 credits/hour

Traineeships

2 credits/hour

EXPANDED RANGE OF CPD OPTIONS

(ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS CANADA 2019)

Self learning

Learning activities used by a practitioner to enhance their awareness of new evidence, perspectives or discoveries that are potentially relevant to their professional practice

Reading a book	10 credits/book
Reading a book chapter	2 credits/chapter
Reading a journal volume	2 credits/volume
Reading a journal article	1 credit/article
Bulk journal reading with transcript	1 credit/article
Bulk online reading/scanning with transcript	1 credit/hour
Podcasts, audio, video	0.5 credits/activity
Internet searching (Medscape, UpToDate, DynaMed)	0.5 credits/activity
POEMs Patient oriented evidence that matters	0.25 credits/activity

EXPANDED RANGE OF CPD OPTIONS

(ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS CANADA 2019)

??Systems learning

Learning stimulated by participation in activities such as setting practice standards, patient safety, continuous quality improvement; curriculum development; assessment tools and strategy development; examination board membership; or peer review.

Clinical practice guideline development

20 credits/year

Quality care/patient safety committee

15 credits/year

Curriculum development

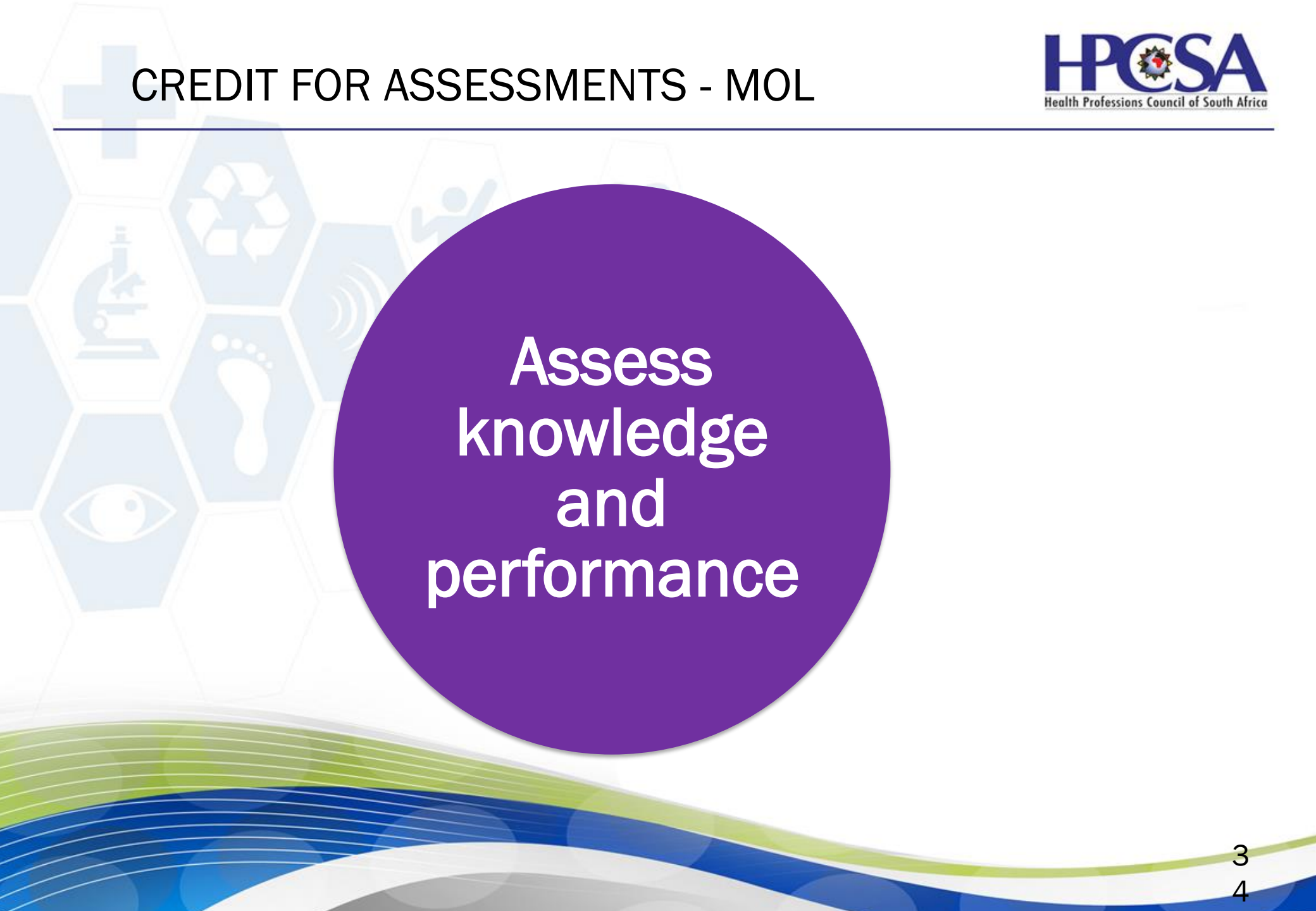
15 credits/year

Examination development

15 credits/year

Peer review

15 credits/year



**Assess
knowledge
and
performance**

Knowledge Assessment

Programs provide data with feedback to individual practitioners regarding their current knowledge base, enabling the identification of needs and development of future learning opportunities relevant to their practice

ESSENTIAL KNOWLEDGE
Accredited self
assessment programs
(credits for completion)

MOL COMPONENT - PERFORMANCE

(ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS CANADA 2019)

Performance assessment

Activities that provide data with feedback to individual practitioners, groups or interprofessional health teams related to their personal or collective performance across a broad range of professional practice domains. Performance assessment activities can occur in a simulated or actual practice environment.

PERFORMANCE (credits)

Chart audit & feedback

360/ Multisource Feedback

Direct observation

Peer engagement & feedback

Practice assessment

Accredited simulation activities

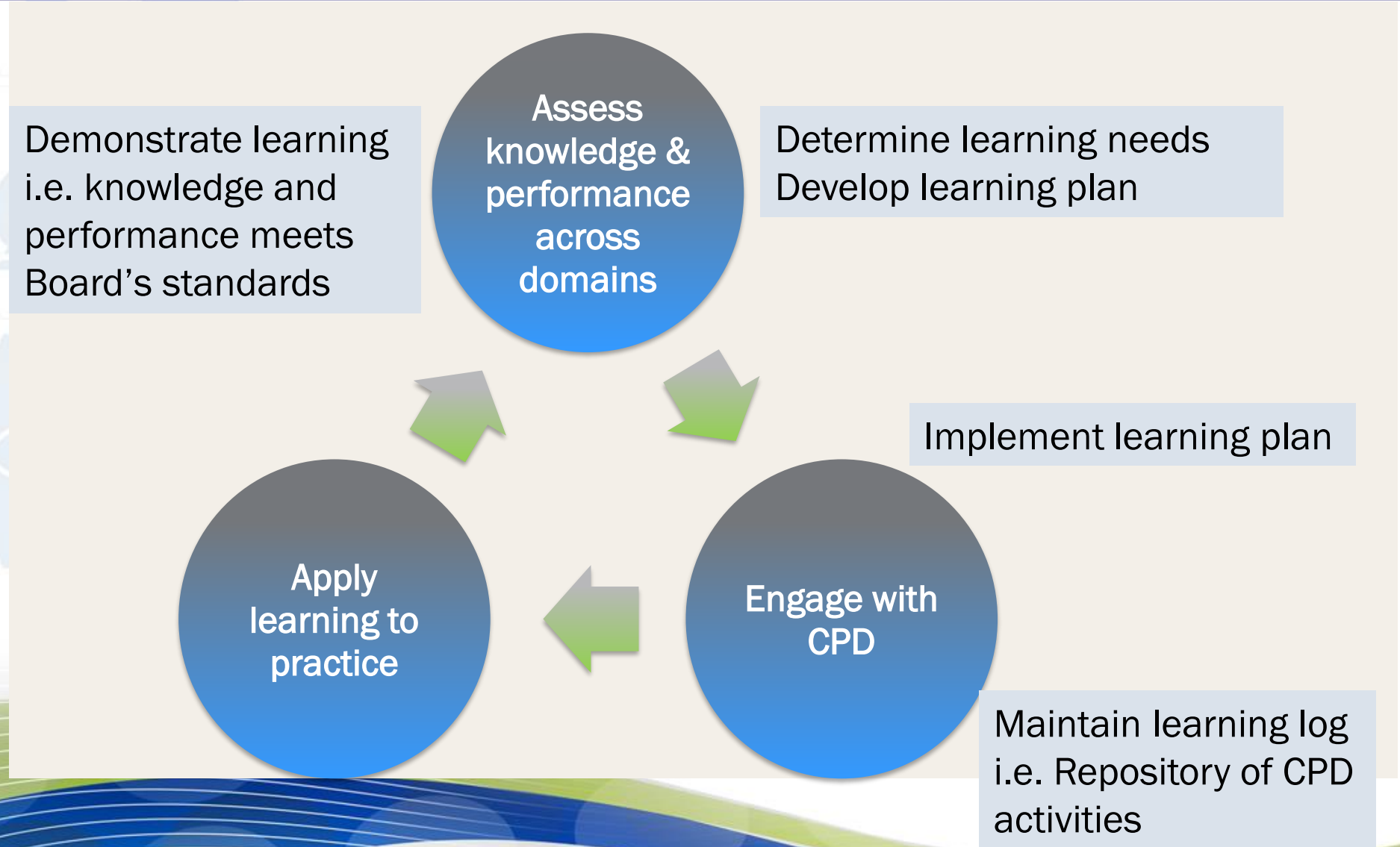
Annual performance review

Critical incident

Adverse events

- **Board specifies min requirements: which knowledge & performance assessments are applicable, how many credits, etc.**
- **Dashboard**
- **Based on probity of practitioners**
- **Developmental**
- **Feedback**
- **Decentralized**
- **Multiple opportunities**

HPCSA MODEL FOR MAINTENANCE OF LICENCE TO PRACTICE



REQUIRED ACTIVITIES FOR LICENSURE

Minimum requirements (determined by Professional Board) for each year in each category - with ethics as a transversal requirement.

- **Group learning**
- **Self learning**
- **Assessment**
 - Essential knowledge
 - Performance

TIMEFRAMES

ANNUAL

Complete minimum number of credits per year in each category (CPD & Assessment i.e. MoL)

If meet min – then adherent
If not – then non-adherent – triggers notice to practitioner and board

EVERY FIVE YEARS

Meet all annual requirements AND
Total number of credits (including minimum in each category)

If meet all requirements – licensed
If not – non-compliant – not licensed

Year 1		Year 2		Year 3		Year 4		Year 5
A		A		A		A		A
B		B		B		B		B
C		C		C		C		C
Year 1 to 5								
Every year practitioners should be adherent to the minimum credits in the 3 groups (a % of the total for that year) and within 5 years achieve the total number of HPCSA determined credits across all three to be licenced								
A = Individual CPD activities (expanded)								
B = Group CPD activities (expanded)								
C = Assessment								
Weightings in each category to be determined by the professional boards								

LICENSED TO PRACTICE

- Demonstrated requisite knowledge and skills – continue to practice for next 5 years
- Enter next cycle of licensure credentialing

FAILURE TO OBTAIN LICENCE

- Cannot practice
- Board to set criteria for re-entry into practice e.g.
supervised practice



The background features a series of light blue hexagons, each containing a different medical or scientific icon: a cross, a microscope, a recycling symbol, a person with an arm raised, a tooth, a head with a gear, a footprint, a lightbulb, an apple, a syringe, and an eye. At the bottom, there are decorative wavy lines in shades of green and blue.

THE MOL DEVELOPMENT PHASE

WHAT IS THE DEVELOPMENT PHASE?

- Three volunteer boards, CPD committee, HPCSA secretariat
- MDB, MTB, OCP – Max variation: Acute setting, Lab Science, Sustained engagement/rehab; Ability to scale up
- Begin to engage with roles & responsibilities related to MoL
- Develop MoL toolkit, plans for stakeholder engagement, HPCSA readiness, governance



QUESTIONS?

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ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

DEVELOPMENT BOARDS

Compile a project plan to guide the Board specific task teams for the next year:

Toolbox

- 1. Review and revise domains of practice, attributes and examples to ensure relevance to professions under its ambit**
- 2. Set profession specific standards (? minimum standards) for knowledge, skills and performance (Domain 4)**
- 3. Work with the CPD committee to include profession specific components of Domains 1, 2, 3 i.e. Professionalism, Safety and Quality, and Communication.**

DEVELOPMENT BOARDS

Set standard (? minimum standards) for and develop assessment tools (formative and summative assessments of competence and performance)

Develop guidelines and templates for learning plans

Decide on profession specific annual CPD requirements

Set up guidelines for management of non-adherence

Develop guidelines for supervised practice, if applicable

Develop criteria that will allow practitioners in supervised practice to return to independent practice

DEVELOPMENT BOARDS

Stakeholder consultation

Appoint/Liaise with external partners to support processes relating to maintenance of licence to practice

Consult with stakeholders on how to operationalize formative and summative assessments of competence and performance

Extensive practitioner consultation to prepare them for MoL

Regulatory functions

Governance for oversight, monitoring, quality assurance

CPD COMMITTEE

Transversal domain development

Reposition CPD to align it with the four Domains

Develop standards for the transversal Domains of Professionalism, Safety and Quality and Communication

Set standards for knowledge, skills and practice in these Domains

Set standards for and develop assessment tools (formative and summative assessments of competence and performance) in the transversal components of the three Domains

Expansion of CPD learning activities

There are a wide range of learning activities that are not currently recognized by the HPCSA but which facilitate learning

Expand the range of activities that will be recognized in the MoL system e.g. peer review, self-review of journal/article, etc.

Review of CPD processes and integration with MoL

Develop guidelines and templates for learning plans

Set accreditation standards for CPD activities

CPD within MoL must be linked to improving performance with measurable outcomes.

Determine which learning activities should be accredited and which ones practitioners can engage with, without formal accreditation.

Determine whether to prescribe the minimum number of CEUs in each Domain i.e. accredited vs unaccredited e.g. minimum of X? hours each.

Review and revise the credit values (CEUs) associated with learning activities, in line with international benchmarks.

Develop a template for reporting on non-accredited activities e.g. provide rationale, indicate key learning outcomes, and application of learning to practice – to be logged and uploaded to HPCSA website.

**Engage in all relevant WBS to ensure HPCSA
readiness for MoL – as per project plan**

CONSIDERATIONS IN DEVELOPING MOL TOOLBOX

No one size fits all

Operationally feasible

Cognizance of cost

Decentralization of assessment

**Alignment/Integration with current performance
assessment practices**

Linked to HPCSA registers – Domain 4

**CPD within MoL must be linked to improving
performance with measurable outcomes**

CPD

Initiate electronic portal as soon as possible

All practitioners

Makes CPD compliance tracking feasible

ELECTRONIC PORTAL FOR MOL

Electronic portal for CPD facilitates soft initiation to MOL

As MOL begins to rollout across boards (professions), the MOL assessment component for each board becomes live on the electronic system

MOL TEAMS

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Reporting
on MoL to
Council

MoL project
sponsor

ACTIVITIES OF MOL WORKSTREAMS



Steercom:

2 meetings



Workstream 7:

4 DTs

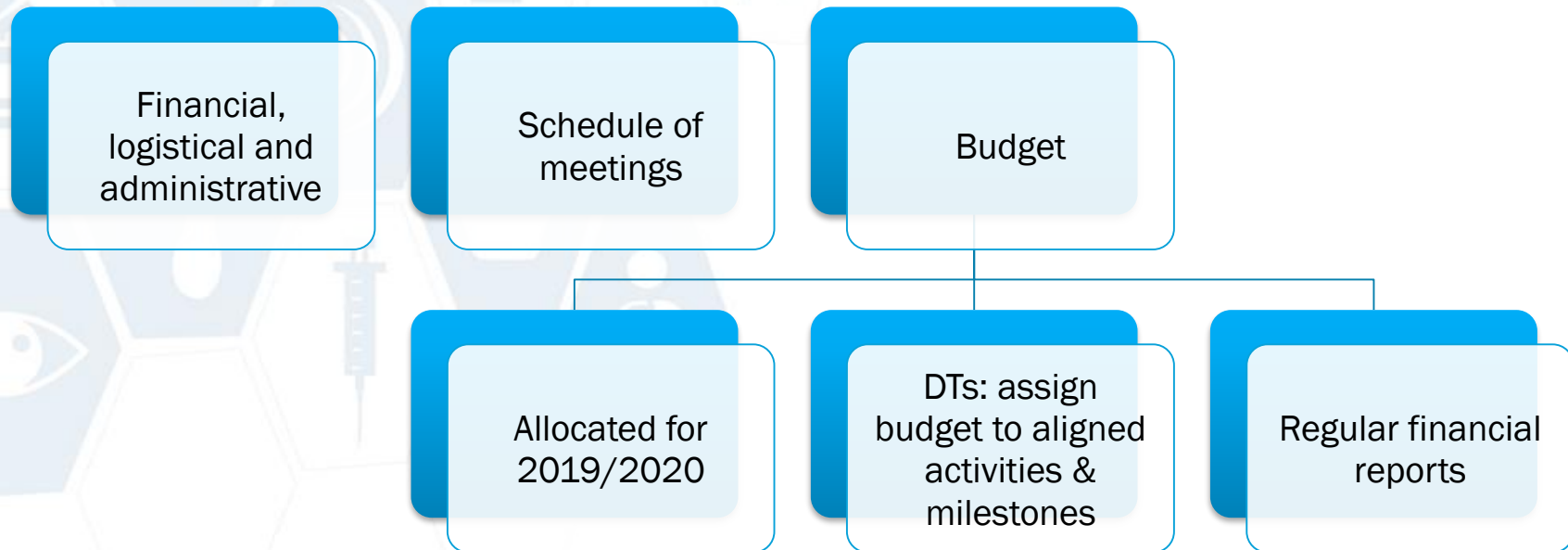
2 meetings - cross cutting matters



DTs:

Met at least twice

SUPPORT FOR MOL



CHANGE MANAGEMENT PLAN

Cleopatra
Phakathi

Carefully crafted &
considered risks
and opportunities

Moses Mtimunye
feedback on other
WSs

STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

1. Kenya Medical Council

- Implemented electronic CPD system in 1 year (international funding)
- CPD adherence linked to registration & Health insurance reimbursement
- KMC exploring licensure process

2. Office of Health Standards Compliance (OHSC)

- Dr Labadarios attended WS7 & MDB DT sessions
- OHSC developed guidelines/ standards for hospitals, GPs & EMS
- Draft regulations: practitioners to comply with HPCSA standards linked to MoL

Met twice

Have detailed a road map of activities

Proposed integrated framework
for MoL and CPD
(presented at end)

- ❖ **Face to face and online meetings**
- ❖ **Using 3 professions to test MoL – OT, AT, MOP**
- ❖ **Developed proposal for MoL for these 3 professions**
- ❖ **Working on components within the model**
- ❖ **Proposed system for peer review (with CEUs) for practitioner and reviewer**
- ❖ **Ready to engage on IT requirements**
- ❖ **Practice: clinician, teacher, researcher, manager**

Met twice

Existing processes (e.g. SANAS accreditation) facilitate framework for MoL

Labour concerns need to be addressed

Team developing following tools

- ❖ 360 review per profession (MT, GT, LAS)
- ❖ Report templates:
 - Evaluations, audits
 - Clearing of non-conformances
 - Drafting, reviewing and reading SOPs
 - Designing innovations
 - Developing learning materials

Has had a few meetings

Smaller group of members are in process of developing the framework

TAKE HOME MESSAGE

1. Gather evidence from different disciplines/professions for MoL