

MaxFax Scoring Sheet: A

CRITERIA: <i>Either invasive procedures or clinical intervention with the potential for harm or exercise of judgment by unsupervised professionals which can substantially impact on patient health or welfare</i>	SCORE: Met
Summary comments (10 words max.)	
The Maxillofacial Prosthetists and Technologists meet all 3 of the criteria and should thus be considered by the Council for regulation	
Detailed comments	
Invasive Procedures: MPT's are required to examine their patients. Examination includes direct physical contact and involves manipulation of the patient either in a conscious state or under sedation or anaesthetic. Practitioners are also required to take clinical impressions of delicate and damaged structures of the head and neck. In the clinical setting or the operating theatre, MPTs are required to place materials or components into the patients body.	
Clinical intervention with the potential for harm: MPTs are required to provide advice to patients and exercise judgement on matters such as maintenance and long term care of prosthesis, to provide advice to patients who have experienced considerable trauma, may be in pain and who are anxious about disability and disfigurement. Further, approximately 40% of an MPTs work is directly on children with head and neck burn injuries.	
Exercise of judgement by unsupervised professionals which can substantially impact on patient health or welfare: MPT's undertake their duties unsupervised, in a clinical, operating theatre, ward, hospice or home care environment, unless a chaperone is indicated. Job descriptions included in the application indicate that duties are undertaken largely unsupervised. Many of the procedures undertaken are on patients with severe injuries. In some cases, a chaperone is in attendance. For example where a female patient is being treated, a female chaperone may be used if the practitioner is a male.	
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