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Stakeholder Feedback Form – July-September 2016 Practice Standards

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2. You may provide your comments on this form or attach comments in a separate document.
3. Submit no later than September 9, 2016, via:

EMAIL: **submissions@crpo.ca** **OR**

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B. Your Contact Information

First name:

Last name:

Email address:

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I am a:

Member

Student

Health care professional (describe below):

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I am submitting feedback on behalf of an organization or association.

If you checked the box "yes", please provide the following information:

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Name:

Date:

August 9, 2016

E. Your Comments

Note: The response field begins on the next page. Please add additional pages if needed.

Please provide any feedback on the proposed amendments to the *Professional Practice Standards*.

Draft standard re: Affirming Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity

The draft standard proposes that valid services to be provided by RPs include providing acceptance, support and understanding of a person, the facilitation of a person's coping, social support, and gender exploration, and facilitation of gender affirming activities like hormone treatment and surgery.

The final item listed goes against the Ministry of Health decision to exclude RPs from the list of providers qualified to facilitate access to gender-affirming surgery. The Ministry deemed social workers qualified to provide supporting assessments recommending surgery, while registered psychotherapists were not deemed qualified. How can the CRPO standards say one thing while the Ministry says another? Should they not be consistent?