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Currently medics in the defence forces are "un-registered health professionals". The defence medical training schools are recognised as RTO's and military medics do receive substantial civilian qualifications after their courses. These qualifications do not allow medics to fully complete the appropriate licensing and registration with the state health boards eg. nursing boards etc. This lack of registration restricts military medics ability to fully intergrate with the civilian health services. In times of humanitarian assistance, the ability of military medics to seamlessly work with civilian agencies is essential. Recent moves by COAG towards federal registration of health professions seem the ideal time to intergrate not only military medics but the paramedical services as well.

For your consideration.

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