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Dear Sandra

NZREX Placement Programme for International Medical Graduates Residing in New Zealand

Thank you for the opportunity to provide feedback on the proposed development of this programme.

The NZMA accepts that there is a need to better manage the training, registration and orientation of IMGs. Given this, we support the concept of the programme as outlined in this proposal. However, we are not sure that the numbers of potential candidates are as high as estimated in the proposal, nor are we sure that the proposed programme will result in a high proportion of candidates successfully achieving registration. We believe that it will be critical to closely monitor the programme in respect of both of these issues.

Additionally, we believe that it is important that a programme such as this fits within the wider context of the recruitment, orientation and retention of IMGs, and we would prefer it to be part of a broader strategic plan rather than a stand alone concept.

Yours faithfully

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