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To: Kathleen Almond

Subject: Completion of Secondary level of education in english medium

Hi Kathleen,

I am graduating the nursing course at the end of this year. I would like to say, it would be totally unfair for those international students who completed their secondary level of education in english medium in their country. They are competent in communication skills and are able to interact with the patient and provide relevant as well as evidence based care in a safe way. It would be very unfortunate for those graduating international student in 2010 because they don't have enough time to give IELTS and score 7 in every components. So, I strongly recommend in a favour of COMPLETION OF SECONDARY EDUCATION IN ENGLISH MEDIUM. This criteria should stay as it is.....rather than removing from the competency standards.

However, it doesn't mean that they are not competent in english language. Infact they passed the english language requirement before entering to the University and completed the whole nursing course (Bachelor of Nursing) in english medium in Australia.

I think the graduated students of 2010 should be considered and provide an oppourtunity to get registration at least under the criteria of completion of secondary level of schooling in english medium.

I hope you will understand the problem of international student. It will be mental turture at the end of their course with a new competency requirement. Hopefully, the team members of AHPRA will take decisions for the good of all students.

With regards
Jyoti.