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Dear Dr Thomas

RANZCR Clinical Radiology Training Program Review 2020

The Australian College of Nursing (ACN) would like to thank the Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Radiologists for the opportunity to provide feedback on the review of the draft Clinical Radiology Training Program and revised Learning Outcomes.

ACN promoted this consultation opportunity to our Fellows and members who have an interest in this area for their direct response back to you via the email address provided or via completion of the online survey. ACN also received feedback from our Fellows and members which is outlined below:

- The training program provides the trainees with time to experience all the aspects of the medical imaging team while gaining a well-rounded experience with patients, nurses, radiographers and multi-disciplinary teams. It is important to be a well-rounded trainee so that the trainee becomes a well-rounded consultant and specialist in this field of health care. This help develop rapport with the community members being treated and provides the best health care for patients by engaging with the medical imaging team and multidisciplinary teams to create positive outcomes.
- Medical imaging nurses appreciate the time that trainees and consultants spend involving them in sharing their expertise through education and working together clinically as a team and partaking in simulation that covers important topics in radiology departments.
- Teamwork and communication are critical for safe and high-quality care. These can be improved with simulation scenarios to improve communication and teamwork. This decreases errors and increasing team morale.
- Debriefing practices assist with error identification and planning for the error reduction within a team approach.

ACN would like to commend the Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Radiologists for undertaking this work and extend best wishes for further success in undertaking this consultation.

ACN is the pre-eminent and national leader of the nursing profession. We are committed to our intent of advancing nurse leadership to enhance health care. ACN is committed to ensuring that Australia's health system can meet the future needs of all Australians, particularly through the sustainable growth and development of the nursing workforce. ACN has members in every state and territory and works closely with nursing leaders and Chief Nursing and Midwifery Officers (CNMOs).

If you have further enquiries regarding this matter, please contact Dr Carolyn Stapleton FACN, Director of Policy, Strategy and Advocacy, at carolyn.stapleton@acn.edu.au.



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Yours sincerely

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