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Dear Dr Cautley

Consultation on proposed recognition of Ireland Dental Council accredited dentistry programmes

Thank you for the invitation to respond to the Dental Council New Zealand consultation on the proposed recognition of Dental Council of Ireland accredited dentistry programmes.

The Dental Board of Australia (the Board) provides the following response to the consultation question:

1. Do you agree/disagree with the proposed addition of Dental Council of Ireland accredited dentistry programmes as prescribed qualifications for the New Zealand general dental practice scope of practice?

The Board supports the addition of Dental Council of Ireland accredited dentistry programmes as prescribed qualifications for the New Zealand general dental practice scope of practice.

As noted in the Dental Council's consultation paper, the Board recognises the two dentistry qualifications accredited by the Dental Council of Ireland as being substantially equivalent to an approved Australian qualification. The Board considers graduates of these programmes to be qualified for registration as a dentist in Australia. Graduates must still meet all other eligibility requirements to be granted registration in Australia.

Thank you again for the opportunity to respond to this consultation.

Yours sincerely



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