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Dear Drs Li and Nazreddine

## **Re: Accreditation of Westmead Hospital for Clinical Radiology Specialty Training**

The Clinical Radiology Education and Training Committee (CRETc) at its meeting on 5 February 2021 reviewed and discussed the progress for **Westmead Hospital** measured against the Accreditation Standards for Education, Training and Supervision of Clinical Radiology Trainees. The committee noted that **Westmead Hospital** was downgraded to **Level D Full Site for a 12-month period from 31 July 2020**, with a number of recommendations to be rectified in the 12 month period.

On the **15 December 2020** a request for information was made to the acting Head of Department Dr Robert De Costa regarding a full FTE list of all current consultants including Visiting Medical Officers, trainees and International Medical Graduates. This was requested as a priority. To date there has been no submission regarding this request. Please provide the requested by **COB 16 March 2021**.

The CRETc has raised concerns over the progress made to date by Westmead Hospital in addressing recommendations, and the impact of the failure to address the recommendations on the stakeholders, in particular the trainees.

The CRETc is therefore requesting that **Westmead Hospital** address all outstanding recommendations by **31 July 2021**.

If the accreditation recommendations are unable to be met in full by that time, the accreditation status of **Westmead Hospital** will be referred to the CRETc for further consideration directly after **31 July 2021**. The committee will then consider the appropriate action, noting its obligation in the **RANZCR Accreditation Standards for Education, Training and Supervision of Clinical Radiology Trainees** "to ensure that a minimum acceptable standard of facilities (staff, equipment, diversity of clinical material and tuition) is available to provide successful training in Clinical Radiology"

Should you have any queries regarding accreditation, please contact Accreditation at [accreditation@ranzcr.edu.au](mailto:accreditation@ranzcr.edu.au) or phone +61 2 9268 9777.



Yours sincerely,



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