

The Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Radiologists[®]

The Faculty of Clinical Radiology

Mr Graeme Loy Chief Executive WSHLD

Via email: <u>Graeme.Loy@health.nsw.gov.au</u>

3 August 2021

Dear Mr Loy,

Re: Withdrawal of Accreditation for Westmead Hospital for Clinical Radiology

We write to inform you of the outcome of the accreditation status for Clinical Radiology training at Westmead Hospital. The Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Radiology (RANZCR) Clinical Radiology Education Committee (CRETC), at its meeting on 30 July 2021, determined that Westmead Hospital had not met the *Accreditation Standards for Education, Training and Supervision of Clinical Radiology Trainees.*

Accreditation will be withdrawn effective from 17 September 2021.

RANZCR continues to have serious concerns regarding the welfare and safety of trainees at Westmead. Ensuring trainees have a safe and supportive environment in which to work and learn is the highest priority for RANZCR.

The outcome has been communicated to the NSW Minister of Health, Ministry of Health, NSW Wide Area Network, Local Area Network (LAN) 2 Local Governance Committee, the Health Education and Training Institute (HETI) and the Australian Medical Council.

The College anticipates that the Western Sydney Local Health District will ensure trainees impacted by this decision receive appropriate support and proactively assist the Network Director to identify possible future training sites and address concerns regarding individual trainee employment contracts. This process needs to proceed as a matter of urgency.

Should you have any further queries, please contact Dr Brendan Grabau, Head of Workforce at <u>brendan.grabau@ranzcr.edu.au</u> or Bettina Brooke - Senior Project Officer, Quality Assurance and Evaluation at <u>accreditation@ranzcr.edu.au</u> or phone +61 2 9268 9777.

Yours sincerely,

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