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Subject: Letter to Dr White re Operative dentistry - Apr 8 2019.pdf
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Thanks Bernie for passing on the information. I do sympathize with the University in terms of their struggle to recruit and retain GP and specialists, however I do have some concerns and the possible risk for the CDSS.:

1. It is possible to ensure that the assessment of Dr. Jessani (or other similar candidates) can be completed objectively by an employer, when the employer has a vested interest in a positive outcome of the assessment? Should this assessment be completed by an independent third party? If there would be a complaint against any candidate, then it is likely that the CDSS licensure process would be closely evaluated and it could be determined that the CDSS did not act in the best interest of the public, but rather in the interest of a COD staff recruitment/retention issue?
2. I think it would be prudent to consult with other provincial regulatory authorities to discuss how they proceed with non-certified GP's/specialists, maybe we even need to consult other professions? I believe it is my understanding that the CDRAF is looking at this very issue, but I am not sure?
3. There is likely risk to the independent self-regulatory function of the CDSS. If there were ever a professional conduct or discipline issue with this type of candidate (this has happened in the past), it again could be viewed that the CDSS did not act in the best interest of the public, but in the interest of the COD.
4. I assume that candidates with academic licenses are still expected to complete the NDEB or RCDC? I did not think that an academic license was intended for a long term license, but as a bridge until national standards were met?

Like I mentioned, I am not trying to impede the education of dental students at the COD, but I am not comfortable with the possible risk that the CDSS may be assuming if we rush into this MOU with the COD. I think the next step is consultation with other jurisdictions and then we can re-evaluate and then present to council.

Sincerely,

Hilary

On Apr 10, 2019, at 4:29 PM, Bernie White <bernie@saskdentists.com> wrote:

Hi Executive. This is a request that Dr. Brothwell made to Hilary and I at a Friday breakfast meeting on March 29, 2019. I asked him to send a request in writing for us to consider and the attached is that request. **Where he states:**

"We are planning a full assessment of Dr. Jessani's clinical abilities, but that is not likely to occur until sometime in the next academic year", the "assessment" the refers to would be consistent with the Academic License Policy (attached) that we have in effect. I believe that this is a reasonable request that I could approve but I would like your thoughts. Respectfully, Bernie

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Good morning Bernie

Please find the attached letter seeking your support for having Dr. Abbas Jessani in clinic, with proposed limitations, as part of operative dentistry.

I look forward to discussing further.

Regards
Doug
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