Dear Colleagues,

The Medical Council of Ireland is reviewing how it recognises 3rd country basic medical qualifications, and we would like to see how other regulators approach this matter.

I would be grateful if you would respond to the questions below:

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| What standards must a 3rd country basic medical qualification meet to be accepted? |  |
| How do you decide if these standards have been met? E.g. transcripts, contact medical school |  |
| How do you obtain information about 3rd country qualifications? |  |
| Must the medical school awarding the medical degree/ diploma meet any specific standards? E.g. listed in WDOMS, or accredited by WFME etc |  |
| Do you automatically recognise degrees awarded by any 3rd country? |  |
| Does a mandatory aptitude test apply? |  |
| Are there any restrictions on registration for doctors with 3rd country qualifications e.g. adaptation period or supervised post. |  |

Please send your responses to me at [Ann.curran@mcirl.ie](mailto:Ann.curran@mcirl.ie) by 19th September 2025.

Many thanks for your assistance with my query.

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