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Dear Jessica

**GMC Regional Review report for Bristol Medical School**

We were very pleased to receive the report on the GMC Regional Review Visit to the Medical School at the University of Bristol in May 2016. We found the visit to be helpful and constructive for the School and for our future plans as we develop and deliver a new curriculum for our medical programme.

We were delighted that you recognised our LiTHE programme as an example of good practice. This recognition is very positive for all those who undertook the work to create this learning experience. We also appreciate your recognition of our educational governance, the strong working relationships we have developed between the academy deans and the University and our provision of academic support. It is also reassuring that you noted that our learning environment values education, that our educators are well trained and supported in their roles, and that you were impressed with the developments and the level of stakeholder engagement in the design of the new curriculum.

You have raised concerns about the reliability of our long case assessments, and you have asked that we make clearer the provision for how future students will intercalate between the present medical curriculum (MB16) and the new curriculum (MB21). You have also suggested we should consider improving the quality of feedback on written portfolios. We have already taken steps to address these issues and provided this information in our action plan.

Yours sincerely,

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