Dear Jessica,

We thank the General Medical Council for the comprehensive review of University Hospitals Bristol as part of the South West Review.

We acknowledge the constructive feedback provided and welcome the positive feedback for our supportive environment for undergraduate medical students, educational governance structure and pastoral support for doctors in training.

We would like to make the following brief response given that the report has commented that students feel that they do not receive adequate feedback following their long case exams.

The mark sheet provided to examiners asks them to specifically give written and verbal feedback on ‘Areas performed well’ and ‘Suggestions for development’.

We recognise that this may be interpreted differently by individual examiners. We have delivered training sessions for examiners to re-emphasise the importance of this aspect of the student long case assessments.

We look forward to using the outcome of the report in order to further improve undergraduate and postgraduate medical education.

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