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## Dear Dr Mulcahy

## **Expedited Specialist Pathway**

Thank you for your letter of 19 December advising ANZCA that applications for specialist registration in anaesthesia under the pathway will open on 23 December 2024.

We noted the MBA approved qualifications for the pathway for Ireland and the United Kingdom and are pleased the Medical Board has agreed with the college's recommendation that applicants for specialist registration in anaesthesia under the expedited pathway will also be required to successfully complete an Effective Management of Anaesthetic Crisis (EMAC) course.

For your information the college will be closed from 24 December 2024 and will reopen on 6 January 2025. During this time, we have the following in place to proactively manage any enquiries:

- 1. There is now <u>a news item</u> on the ANZCA website to inform of the new pathway inclusive of time lines.
- 2. The <u>SIMG pages</u> on the ANZCA website have been updated. This update also includes the details and application form for the pathway to ANZCA Fellowship.
- 3. Out of office emails from the SIMG inbox (during the college closure) will provide information for anyone asking about SIMG and the expedited pathway. This will include a link to the MBA website, the college website and also advising that we will call people back post 6 January 2025.
- 4. The College reception will be given information so they can direct calls / provide information once the college reopens on 6 January 2025.

We look forward to working together in 2025.

Yours sincerely

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