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Bord Chlárúcháin na nEolaithe Míochaine
Medical Scientists Registration Board

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Re: Statutory Regulation for Medical Scientists

Dear Dr. Lucey,

I spoke with members of the Academy last year and we advised that we were working towards the date of 30 November for the opening of the Medical Scientists Register, although I did give the proviso, that sometimes issues can arise which can push a planned date out.

The Medical Scientists Registration Board have made great progress in setting the Criteria and Standards of Proficiency for the education courses, that produce graduates who can apply for registration.

Work has been completed to prepare the bye laws required to open the register. However following the public consultation on all of the bye laws required; a number of issues have arisen in relation to the Code of Professional Conduct and Ethics for Medical Scientists (the Code), that the members of the Registration Board need to consider fully and make decisions on. It is better; we believe to have these issues dealt with fully before proceeding to the opening of the Register.

The Registration Board must finalise the Code and make the relevant bye laws before the Register can be opened, so for this reason, the date of the 30 November 2018 will not be the date for the opening of the Register. It is likely to now happen in the first half of 2019. We will keep you and your members up to date on any details on the opening of the Register when available. We are available to answer any questions you might have at any time.

Yours sincerely,

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Registrar
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