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RE: Trauma General Surgery Area of Focused Competence Application: U of T PGME

To whom it may concern:

It is my pleasure to write in support of the University of Toronto application for the Trauma General Surgery program as an area of focused competence.

St. Michael's Hospital is committed to all of its academic programs. We are particularly committed to the area of trauma care, which is one of our clinical research and education priorities. Our trauma program is part of a larger commitment by the hospital to the area of critical care.

St. Michael's has a large number of dedicated, talented and well qualified academic trauma surgeons, along with all the necessary supporting staff including physical resources. As the only downtown Toronto trauma centre, we continue to have a large number of clients who seek our services on a regular basis. Therefore, we provide an outstanding opportunity for trainees in all disciplines, including those committing themselves to Trauma General Surgery.

Please accept this letter as indication of my strong support for St. Michael's participation in a focused competence training program in general surgery at the University of Toronto.

Yours sincerely,



Robert Howard
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