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Dear Dr Tonkin,

RE: ACD submission to public consultation on the proposal for the recognition of Genetic pathology as a new field of specialty practice

On behalf of the Australasian College of Dermatologists (ACD), thank you for the opportunity to provide feedback on the Royal College of Pathologists of Australasia's application seeking recognition of Genetic pathology as a new field of specialty practice within the current specialty of Pathology.

ACD is supportive of the proposal that 'Genetic Pathology' be approved as a new field of specialty practice for the reasons outlined in Option 1 and for the title 'Specialist Genetic Pathologist' to become a protected title under the Health Practitioner Regulation National Law ('National Law').

This will make it easier for other medical practitioners and the public to recognise individuals with the expertise to provide specialist level advice in relation to Genetic Pathology. This should have no implications on other specialties, including dermatologists as the training requirements, scopes of practice and skillsets are distinct from Genetic Pathologists.

Thank you again for the opportunity to provide feedback. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact [REDACTED] Policy Manager at [REDACTED].

Kind regards,

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