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As a Practising Intensivist who had duly undergone all required training, examinations required of the college of intensive care Medicine and was awarded the fellowship I think an 'easing' of SIMG specialists is a move that will erode merit.

The workforce issue is not a justification for such a move. As a past director of two intensive care units and a supervisor of training for the college of intensive care medicine, I feel many training positions are usurped by individuals wanting to become specialists without undertaking fellowship training.

There are individuals who self style themselves as Intensive care specialists without a fellowship and take up positions as Directors! Add to this [REDACTED] will be persons from non-Equivalent health systems obtaining direct specialist registration.

Such a move as easing of the standards does not take into account the future of local trainees or patients.

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I strongly condemn such a move.

Thanks for asking my feedback.

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