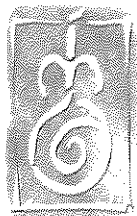


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Date: 14 November 2012

RE: Intern Places 2013

Dear Minister Reilly,

I refer to the above and to my letter to you dated 3rd May to which we received a reply dated 28th May from your private secretary Mr Stephen Doran.

In the letter of the 28th May it was indicated that the Department of Health and the HSE are "actively pursuing a range of initiatives to cater for the 2013 intern intake and beyond"

Can you please confirm details of the range of initiatives which are being taken? Our own research indicates that there will be a shortage of intern places for EU graduates this year.

As you are aware there were significant difficulties with the recruitment process last year which led to some graduates being offered positions which were subsequently rescinded.

It is important that full information is provided to the IMO and to this coming year's graduates in order that we are fully aware of what initiatives are being put in place and whether final year students will need to make contingency plans if there are insufficient intern places following their graduation.

Yours sincerely

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