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Dear Colleague,

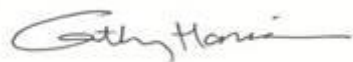
INCREASE IN PHARMACY FOUNDATION TRAINING YEAR PLACEMENT GRANT TO MEET THE 2024 NATIONAL LIVING WAGE

I am writing to confirm an increase in funding for the Pharmacy Foundation Training Year (FTY) grant to meet the 2024 National Living Wage Rate to £11.44/hour for 21 years and older.

The **total increased grant will be £27,511** (£11.44 x 37 hours x 52 weeks) paid to each contractor for each trainee. This includes **£22,011** for each full-time foundation year trainee and the remaining **£5,500** is paid to individual contractors to include a protected employer specific funding allocation per placement, to cover educational supervision and employer on-costs associated with each placement. Reductions to these amounts should be made proportionately in respect of part-time or 6-month placements.

I have asked that the Business Services Organisation arrange for payment of the increased hourly student rate **effective from 1st April 2024**.

Yours sincerely,



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