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MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR GENERAL OF HEALTH SERVICES



It is with much pleasure that I pen this message for the publication of the technical report on “Common Competency Framework for Primary Care Training of Medical Undergraduates”. This Framework provides valuable input into the current primary care reforms taking place in the country. The need to strengthen competencies to deliver primary care was understood earlier on in the development phase of the reform.

I wish to thank the Management, Development & Planning Unit for having had this insight and bringing together key stakeholders for this consultation.

The Ministry of Health being the key employer of medical graduates in Sri Lanka would like to see that doctors have the adequate competencies to perform optimally in primary care institutions. I believe this consultation has paved way for a greater understanding for Faculties of Medicine to improve undergraduate curricula in this direction.

I wish to thank the University academics who have actively contributed to this endeavour. I note that four common competencies namely: clinical care provider, communicator, scholar and manager are identified in the framework and these core competencies in primary care physicians are clearly needed to implement the reform in Sri Lanka.

It is my duty to thank the entire team behind this report, who have worked diligently to support the reform.

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Director General of Health Services

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