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The Secretary Senate Community Affairs Committee PO Box 6100 Parliament House Canberra ACT 2600

Dear Sir/Madam,

## **RE: National Registration and Accreditation Scheme for the Health Professions**

I am writing to advise you that the Thoracic Society of Australia and New Zealand TSANZ) supports the concept of medical registration being transportable across the states of Australia. However our view is that the process of achieving this should not put at risk the high standard of medical expertise that current registration processes help to ensure at both the generic and subspecialty level.

Please note that the TSANZ endorses the views submitted to the Senate Enquiry from the Australian Medical Association concerning the National Registration and Accreditation Scheme for the Health Professions. Additionally, the Society would be happy to contribute to determining a more optimum process of registration if you feel we could be helpful in achieving this.

Yours sincerely,

Hon

Prof Philip Thompson President