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Katie Bruffy & Debra Robertson-Welsh United Institute of Technology Private Bag 92025 Victoria Street West Auckland 1142

Dear Katie and Debra

Following on from our meetings of 5th March and 20th April we are writing to confirm our commitment to working with you closely as things develop for both of our organisations. We have received positive feedback about the joint public statement signalling that we are working together. We are progressing with the consultation needed to develop a 4-year degree in Osteopathy and have signalled our intention to the Osteopathic Council.

We also appreciate your need to secure clinic space beyond the end of 2018 and are keen to provide access to our interprofessional clinic in Akoranga Drive in a way that accommodates the commitments that are in place for our existing work and suits your staff and students.

AUT and Unitec have a long history of working together and we assure you of our intention to work with you to ensure:

- Access to AUT premises and facilities for United to deliver osteopathic education and training.
- A collaborative approach to developing osteopathic education from 2020.
- Confidentiality
- Regular meetings with colleagues identified from each organisation.

It is clear that transition questions are a priority at this point. Anita will be in touch to organise the following two meetings in the near future:

- Susan Shaw from AUT and Sue Palfreyman from United to analyse and map the curriculum with a view to identifying specific content for the purposes of managing student transitions in the future
- Representatives from AUT and United to consider
 - Clinic access including days, times, spaces, insurance and other related issues
 - Phased transition of students between institutions

Yours sincerely

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Susan Shaw

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