Resolution: Adoption of Terms of Reference for National & Local Officers of Indigenous Health

WHEREAS the Canadian Federation of Medical Students (CFMS) remains committed to understanding and reversing the health inequities of Canada’s Indigenous population, including First Nations, Metis, and Inuit peoples;

WHEREAS the CFMS’ Global Health Program has shown commitment to Indigenous Health through the creation of the Aboriginal Health Liaison role in 2010;

WHEREAS the Indigenous Health portfolio remains committed to the development of a common agenda that identifies local and national roles and a collaboration strategy between the CFMS Aboriginal Health Liaison and local Aboriginal Health representatives;

WHEREAS a review of the current state of the Indigenous Health portfolio revealed the necessity for a mandated national-local structure;

WHEREAS the same review revealed a lack of guiding principles for the Indigenous Health portfolio;

BIRT the CFMS replace the Aboriginal Health Liaison role of the Global Health Program with the National Officer of Indigenous Health (NOIH);

BIFRT the CFMS mandate two (2) Local Officers of Indigenous Health (LOIH) at each of the fourteen (14) CFMS member schools;

BIFRT the CFMS adopt the Terms of Reference for the NOIH and LOIH positions.

Financial Cost: N/A

Level of Effort: 5 hours/week under NOIH position

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