

Marie MacKay  
Chief Executive/Acting Registrar  
Dental Council of New Zealand

Dear Ms. MacKay;

The Commission on Dental Accreditation of Canada has had reciprocal agreements with the Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA) of the American Dental Association since 1956, with the Australian Dental Council (ADC) since 2010, the Dental Council of New Zealand (DCNZ) since 2011 and the Dental Council of Ireland (DCI) since 2012.

All agreements are renewable every 5 years.

These reciprocal agreements are established between CDAC and the other Parties as stated above. Our reciprocal agreements state that the CDAC and the other Party agree that each recognizes the accreditation standards and policies of the other Party as being substantially equivalent to its own, and therefore recognizes the accreditation status granted by the other Party for the type of program covered by each specific agreement.

Further, these agreements stipulate that CDAC and the other Party agree to encourage regulatory/licensing boards to accept graduates of the other Party's accredited programs as graduates of an accredited educational program without further educational requirements for licensure/registration.

Therefore, in keeping with the reciprocal agreements currently in place between Canada, Ireland and New Zealand, we at CDAC fully support *the proposed addition of Dental Council of Ireland accredited dentistry programmes as prescribed qualifications for the New Zealand general dental practice scope of practice.*

We wish you every success in your consultative process.

Yours sincerely;



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Chair, Board of Directors