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Dear Mr Rushton

Ref: Bradford University Medical School Request for Placements

The University of Bradford has recently expressed its ambition to support the Department of Health's pledge to increase the number of undergraduate medical places in England. We will take part in any competitive bidding process that may emerge from the current consultation on the expansion of [Department of Health Medical Education](#).

We are contacting all the GP training practices in the Bradford and District area to ask if they would be interested in offering placements to our students. If the University of Bradford bid is successful, we would hope to recruit up to 150 'A' level and graduate entry candidates for the 2019/2020 academic year.

We believe we have a strong case for a medical school in Bradford. Our undergraduate medical curriculum will be designed to respond to the current and projected health needs and demographics. Our approach will have a significant focus on community based primary care, responding to need to care for increasing numbers of chronically ill and elderly patients with complex medical and social needs.

Our proposal has the full support of the CEOs of the Bradford Teaching Hospitals Foundation Trust and Airedale NHS Foundation Trust, Bradford District Care Trust, Bradford City Commissioning Group. The City of Bradford Metropolitan District Council is also fully supportive of the proposal.

Please let me know by **22nd May** if you are interested in exploring this exciting opportunity to provide student placements and I will arrange a meeting at the University to discuss our proposal in more detail.

Yours faithfully

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