Dear Kathleen,
I come to know to give feedback. Presently, I am in Australia and that is true if the nurses graduate from the English speaking countries, they must be registered to the board because the nurses have English atmosphere all the time and minimum 2-3 years time period is sufficient to speak enough English. Moreover, there is a big responsibility of universities to pass/fail the student from which they are graduated. The universities should seek the capability of the student that he/she is capable to do practice and communication one of the part of assessment. I think it's better if the university judge that part because sometimes people clear the IELTS or OET but unable to perform proper communication in the practice. So it's a good thinking of board to pass this rule because we need nurses and care for people. The education level is very sound in the countries like Australia and they train their nurses according to the ANMC competencies which is important to provide safety and care of a patient. Thanks regards Neelu