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Hi Kathleen !

It is good to see some changes are on the way in relation to current English language standards which is in force since 1/07/2010. In my opinion graduates who enrolled in their nursing course before the introduction of current standards should be exempted from further English language assessments (IELTS), because they did not know this was coming when they enrolled. If you really want to test their level of knowledge you can ask them to provide a letter by the head of nursing school confirming their level of English is enough to practice safe nursing in the field. As I think that is the fair Australian way of doing it.

I am sure AHPRA will give a fair solution to this matter in next few months.

I wish AHPRA good luck.

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