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Subject: Board Reform – Your College is Modernising

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Dear Member,

Board Reform – Your College is Modernising

Your College is listening. In response, the Board is committed to leading and implementing the changes necessary to modernise our College, and to strengthen engagement with all members and stakeholders.

For some time, you, the members of The Royal Australasian College of Physicians, have told us that reform of the College is needed. You have told us that the College is complicated and slow to act. Simplifying an overly bureaucratic College committee structure is necessary.

We recognise that systemic reform is needed, and a key recommendation is to change the size and structure of the Board itself. Currently comprising 19 directors, the Board is proposing a skills-based nine-member Board, with the majority of Board members elected by the College members. There will be two community-based members. Changes to the committee structure, delegations and reporting lines will also be required to ensure appropriate decision-making and communication.

This reform will ensure the College achieves best-practice governance with a Board structure that better reflects the diversity of the membership of our broad and specialist College. The long-term goal of this reform is a more transparent and more efficient College, focused on delivering the quality education and advocacy services you demand.

We need your approval for change and need your vote now.

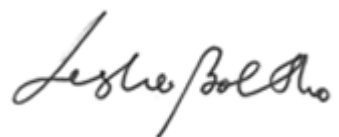
The Board has called a General Meeting of members to consider whether the College's Constitution should be amended to reduce the size and change the composition of the Board.

You have the opportunity to attend the General Meeting in person, appoint a proxy to vote on your behalf, or to cast your vote online at www.VoteNow.RACP.edu.au

Please [click here](#) to view the Notice convening the General Meeting of members and Explanatory Notes and an explanation of the voting procedure. Please note that the College is obliged by law to provide this Notice to all members, including those who have indicated they do not wish to receive any correspondence from the College.

This is an historic and vital reform for your College. The College Board urges you to cast your vote in support of the proposed changes to the Constitution.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Leslie Bolitho". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'L' and a long, sweeping underline.

Associate Professor Leslie E Bolitho AM

President RACP