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DEPARTMENT OF OPHTHALMOLOGY
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Letter of Nomination

Dated 20-09-2021

As the Head of Glaucoma Services, Department of Ophthalmology at Vardhaman Mahavir Medical College and Safdarjung Hospital, I take great pleasure in recommending Dr. Kritika Chopra Kumar as a promising candidate for your esteemed Fellowship Award. Kritika has been pursuing Senior Residency in our department since March 2019 and with sound knowledge of most Ophthalmic subspecialties, she has been an asset to our team.

She was selected for our coveted residency program through a competitive examination, which she aced, followed by an interview. I was impressed with her profile from the start - she's a double gold medalist in her undergraduate program and has won several prizes from participation in quizzes and competitions. She has co-authored a chapter in textbook on ophthalmic anesthesia. With several publications to her credit during her Ophthalmology residency, her inclination towards clinical research and evidence-based management was obvious. After my initial interaction with her, I found that not only is she academically competent, but she is also abreast with the latest advances in the field of Ophthalmology.

She takes initiative to conduct and guide her juniors in clinical research, whenever a suitable opportunity arises. She has initiated many research projects and authored original research articles under my mentorship. Most noteworthy is her current ongoing research in use of Artificial Intelligence and Machine learning in early diagnosis of Glaucoma where not only her clinical skills but her flair for incorporating technology into medical sciences have been showcased.

I know her to be a considerate, genuine and an upbeat individual, who shares admirable rapport with her colleagues, patients, as well as the nursing and support staff. I believe her attention to detail and strong academic performance demonstrate her ability to succeed. I sincerely feel she is a deserving candidate for this Award, and I confidently nominate her for the same.

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