**Dear Hannah Downey,**

I am writing to express my deep interest for the Emergency Medicine Registrar Year 1 position (reference number 11849) and firmly believe I am an ideal candidate for the role based on my over 15 years of experience in Brazil as an Intensive Care Unit and Emergency Medicine doctor showcasing the many values and key selection criteria of the West Gippsland Healthcare Group. I am an Australian citizen, have passed the AMC Part 1 (MCQ) exam and the OET English exam, which enables me to obtain limited registration by AHPRA. Throughout my professional career, from successfully completing my residency in cardiovascular surgery to being an ICU doctor at the height of the covid-19 pandemic in the second worst affected country in the world, my work shows my profound commitment to patient care, expertise in a wide range of procedures and comfort in working collaboratively with diverse stakeholders during the challenging contexts.

During my cardiovascular surgery residency at the Faculty of Medicine São José do Rio Preto, I was supervised by the world-renowned Professor Domingo M. Braile (MD) (<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC7299593/>), I learnt under careful supervision an array of procedures relevant for intensive care and emergency medicine, including: airway management, central vein line and pacemaker implantation, amongst many other procedures and treatments for both acute and chronic disease. Throughout and beyond my residency, I have further developed organisational skills, attention to detail and independence, all needed to successfully complete an intense, high-volume program on cardiovascular surgery.

In my career, I have worked in a large variety of hospitals from secondary regional hospitals, the largest hospital specialising on oncological diseases in Latin America, ICESP, to both private and public hospitals during the height of the SARS-COV-2 pandemic. As an emergency medicine registrar and intensive care registrar in an array of hospitals, I had to adapt to rapid changes once the covid-19 pandemic arrived, while taking care of dozens of beds and being this whole time away from my family, all of whom were in Australia. It took a lot of resilience and empathy for patients for me to persevere for roughly two years in these conditions. However, my deep commitment to patients kept me energised through it all, even though my life was often on the line as I directly performed the most high-risk procedures on covid-19 patients in the ED and ICU departments such as intubation. Overall, my actions during the pandemic showed my resilience and profound commitment to patient wellbeing.

Lastly, my professional response to the covid-19 pandemic highlights my comfort and collaborative nature for teamwork. During the pandemic, I had to work with numerous medical staff from different hospitals and medical professionals not commonly working in the ED and ICU, who were helping the hospitals treat an unprecedented number of patients. Moreover, during this time I continued teaching and supervising junior doctors. These actions demonstrate my alignment with your department’s values such as initiative and collaboration. In conclusion, I am an ideal candidate based on WGHG’s KSC, values and possess the competencies and personal attributes this role seeks.

**Sincerely,  
Dr Deva Subasic de Azevedo**