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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

It gives me great pleasure to provide a reference for Mr. Alvaro Bueno. I have known him for over a year now and he is currently our senior Bariatric Clinical fellow at St Mary's Hospital Imperial College NHS Health Care Trust. I have seen Mr. Alvaro Bueno clinical work in the Outpatient setting, on the wards for emergencies, for trauma patients and in the operating theatre for elective general upper GI bariatric surgery as well as emergency surgery and trauma.

Alvaro is an excellent surgeon with good clinical skills. I have no issues whatsoever with recommending him for any locum post or permanent post in the future. He has assisted me in well over 100 cases over the last year and he is a sound and safe Surgeon. His clinical judgement is good and he always puts patient safety first. He is well liked by his seniors, colleagues, peers, juniors and nursing staff. He is a very good addition to our Team and his privatisation and leadership skills have also come on leaps and bounds over the last year. I have also seen him operate taking him through many straightforward and more advanced laparoscopic and open cases for which he is an independent operator. I would be happy for him to do any registrar level on calls as a locum with me at any time. If you need further information regarding anything, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thanking you

Kindest regards

Sanjay Purkayastha [Signed electronically to

avoid delay]

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