



**MINISTERIE VAN VOLKSGEZONDHEID**  
**In**  
**De Republiek Suriname**

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**Directie en Centrale  
Administratie**

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Subject: World Director of Medical Schools

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Dear Sirs,

On behalf of the Government of the Republic of Suriname, I am proud to inform you that our government has issued a Charter to operate a Medical School to the South American International University Foundation ("SAIUF"). The Charter is valid as of 1 July 2019. SAIUF will conduct both an undergraduate program (MBBS, MD) as well as Post Graduate specializations in collaboration with the St. Vincentius Hospital. SAIUF has commenced a new medical school as of 1 July 2019.

I take this opportunity to request that the WHO include this school in the World Directory of Medical Schools, or that you inform the appropriate body (World Federation for Medical Education and/or the Foundation for Advancement of International Medical Education and Research) to include the school as follows,

School name SAI SCHOOL OF MEDICINE & HEALTH SCIENCES  
Location Paramaribo, Suriname  
Official Address Sint Vincentius Hospital  
Koninginne straat 4  
Paramaribo, Suriname  
Commence date 1 July 2019

Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

The Minister of Health of Suriname

Antoine Elias



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- PAHO/WHO Representative (Paramaribo, Suriname)  
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