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Instructions to Writers of Letters of Recommendation:

_____ is applying to become an orthoptist. Orthoptists work with ophthalmologists in the medical eye care service, specializing in the diagnosis and management of patients with defects in binocular vision and with ocular movement disorders related to systemic disease.

The selection committee would appreciate hearing from you regarding the applicant's suitability to such a profession. We are particularly interested in applicants who are intelligent and enthusiastic, have the ability to communicate effectively both verbally and in writing, and are able to relate well to small children and to mature adults. Orthoptic students should possess sound judgment, critical thinking skills, emotional maturity, the drive for self-directed learning, and scientific curiosity. He/she should be imaginative, energetic, personable and patient.

We are interested in your opinion of the applicant's strengths and weaknesses, and would appreciate knowing the basis for your general assessment. We may contact referees via telephone during the interview process. Please include your contact information.

Please submit your written reference in English via mail or email.

The information in your recommendation will be considered confidential. Please forward it directly to me at the address listed above, or via email, by March 3rd, 2023.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

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