

Subject: [EXT] Public comment for the meeting 9/24/2026 - Re: EDUC4 extension

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Dear Members of the CIRM Board,

Thank you for proposing a 5-year extension of the EDUC4 CIRM Scholars Program and for developing a streamlined process for requesting continued support. Having been directly involved with EDUC4, I greatly appreciate this initiative.

A 5-year extension will provide valuable continuity for these successful training programs, while the simplified submission process will save substantial time for program leadership, faculty, administrators, and CIRM staff. This allows us to focus our efforts where they have the greatest impact - training and mentoring the next generation of regenerative medicine scientists.

Thank you for your continued investment in the CIRM Scholars Program and for considering the administrative burden on the institutions that implement them.

Sincerely,
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