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The Case for More U.S. Medical Students

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Questions for Discussion

1. The author of this article claims that "U.S. labor and educational policies should be designed to offer as many U.S. students as possible the opportunity to study and practice medicine." Do you agree with this claim? Why or why not?
2. The author also believes that reliance on international medical graduates creates a "medical work force in the United States that is not well matched to the population in terms of culture and language." Do you believe this is a valid criticism? Why or why not?

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