

TO; WHOM IT MAY CONCERN -

re: YOUTH ALLOWANCE

As a General Practitioner in an extremely busy practice in Eaton WA, I feel like I am at a 'crossroads' as I have 3 children to educate at university in the next 5 years. With the removal of the Youth Allowance, this will cost me +- \$ 40 000 in accomodation and living expenses.

Due to the above circumstances, I am seriously considering relocating to Perth, where my children will be able to attend university, but live at home.

Unfortunately, Eaton is already short of Doctors and several of my colleagues are in the same situation as I am.

I hope the decision by the government to remove the Youth allowance, does not result in a severe shortage of medical professionals in the disadvantaged rural areas.

Yours sincerely

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