

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

Additional Estimates 2010-11, 23 February 2011

Question: E11-194

OUTCOME 12: Health Workforce Capacity

Topic: MEDICAL STUDENTS

Written Question on Notice

Senator Fierravanti-Wells asked:

- a) Is Health Workforce Australia or the Department aware of any medical students, including international medical graduates, have been unable to secure an internship this year?
- b) Is Health Workforce Australia or the Department able to guarantee a sufficient number of internships for the number of students over coming years.

Answer:

- a) Health Workforce Australia is not aware of any specific instances where a medical student has not been able to secure an internship for 2011.
- b) State and territory governments have given a commitment to offer internships to all domestic graduates of Australian Medical Schools in the coming years.