

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH PORTFOLIO

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Senator: McLucas, Jan

Question:

How many professional development scholarships are currently available for enrolled nurses, registered nurses and midwives working in indigenous health?

Answer:

Each year a variable number of scholarships are awarded to support nurses and midwives undertaking a range of types of study, and for those working in a wide range of clinical settings.

The number of scholarships awarded for professional development depends on the number of applications received each year, the prioritisation of applications under established criteria and the spread of scholarship applications across undergraduate study, postgraduate study, clinical placement and continuing professional development activities, as the total value of scholarships varies according to type of study.