

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH PORTFOLIO

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OUTCOME: 8 - Health Workforce Capacity

Topic: Health Workforce Scholarships

Type of Question: Written Question on Notice

Senator: McLucas, Jan

Question:

What is the current status of the merging of health workforce scholarships into the single scholarship program?

Answer:

Stakeholder consultation has been completed.

The views and evidence presented by stakeholders is being considered along with the best data and evidence available to the Department of Health. These are being used to inform future priorities and programme design for consideration by the Minister for Health, in addition to the development of the request for tender documentation.

The new Health Workforce Scholarship Programme will commence on 1 July 2016.