



Department of Immigration to appear before Overseas Trained Doctors Inquiry

The House of Representatives Health and Ageing Committee will hold a public hearing on Tuesday 11 October 2011 in Canberra to discuss immigration issues relating to the registration processes and support available for overseas trained doctors (OTDs) seeking full Australian registration and accreditation. Ways to remove impediments and promote pathways for OTD's to achieve full Australian qualification, particularly in regional areas, without lowering the necessary standards required by colleges and regulatory bodies will be explored.

Committee Chair, Mr Steve Georganas MP said: "Australia is a nation built on immigration and multiculturalism. This is also reflective of Australia's medical workforce, particularly in regional and rural areas. Today's hearing gives the Committee an opportunity to discuss how Australia's system of immigration can impact on international medical graduates seeking to come to Australia and work".

PROGRAM

12:00pm Australian Government Department of
Immigration
12:30pm *Close*

The hearing will be held in Committee Room 1R3, Parliament House CANBERRA

The hearing will be webcast live on: <http://webcast.aph.gov.au/livebroadcasting/>.

All are welcome to attend.

For media comment, please contact Hannah Frank from the office Steve Georganas by phone on 0419 849 048.

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