

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

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**Senator:** Senator Fierravanti-Wells

**Question:**

Please provide any projections on the availability of supervisors for GP training places over the next 5 to 10 years?

**Answer:**

The requirement for supervisor capacity in the Australian General Practice Training (AGPT) program will increase as registrar numbers peak in 2016-17. This requirement will be met by a combination of recruitment of new supervisors and existing supervisors taking on additional registrars. The current 3,438 accredited supervisors associated with the AGPT program will be targeted to increase to 4,762 supervisors by 2017. These supervisors will be recruited from the approximately 17,000 GPs working across Australia\* who will be eligible to apply for College accreditation as a training supervisor.

*\* Source: AIHW Medical Workforce 2010, 28 March 2012, <http://www.aihw.gov.au/publication-detail/?id=10737421480&tab=2> [accessed 27 June 2012]*