

Senate Community Affairs Committee

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OUTCOME 12: Health Workforce

Topic: Health Workforce Australia

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Senator: Senator Di Natale

Question:

Is health workforce Australia engaged in activity related to rural medical proceduralists?

Answer:

Health Workforce Australia is engaged in a project to develop and promote the role of the Rural Medical Generalist, which includes those doctors working in rural areas with either procedural and/or non-procedural advanced skills. To date, Health Workforce Australia has conducted an environmental scan of the varying Rural Medical Generalist programs across states and territories and provided funding to support the enhancement of those programs in six states and territories.