

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH PORTFOLIO

**Supplementary Budget Estimates 2015 - 2016, 21 October 2015**

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**OUTCOME:** 8 - Health Workforce Capacity

**Topic:** Health Workforce Scholarships

**Type of Question:** Written Question on Notice

**Senator:** McLucas, Jan

**Question:**

How much funding will be available for new scholarships in the 2016 academic year?

**Answer:**

Scholarships to be awarded in the first half of 2016 are estimated to be worth up to \$22,221,000 (GST exc.). However this depends on demand and uptake of offers that have yet to be finalised.

Precise funding for new scholarships after 1 July 2016 will be determined when arrangements for the Health Workforce Scholarship Programme and its new administrator have been finalised.