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Senator Wong asked on 15 February 2006, EWRE Hansard page 79.

Question:

Given that you track that data, could you provide me with a list of all medical courses in Australia by university and, for each course, the length of the degree, the full fee rate per year and the Commonwealth supported rate per year and therefore the total cost of the degree, which I presume is a multiplication – with the proviso that you have indicated – and the number of students commencing in the years from 1996 to 2006.

Answer:

Medical courses and fees

The information as supplied by universities is available on the 'Going to Uni' website at www.goingtouni.gov.au by selecting 'course information system' and searching for 'medicine' courses. For each course the website gives the indicative course cost for the first year and the course duration.

The number of commencing domestic medical students by institution as reported in the Higher Education Student Collection is shown in Attachment A. The Department has collected data on students 'enrolled in a course of study leading to initial registration as a medical practitioner' since 2001 only. Data for 2005 and 2006 is not yet available.