

THE RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION OF INDIGENOUS MEDICAL STUDENTS

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Project Description

The aims of this project are three-fold:

- I) To identify and describe the Indigenous medical student population;
- II) To identify similarities and differences between the Indigenous and total medical student populations; and
- III) To link Indigenous medical student recruitment and retention patterns to Indigenous support and Indigenous Health resources available at medical schools.

This project will mark the first time statistical analyses have been conducted on a national scale on the Indigenous medical student population, as there has previously been an absence of data. This will be significant for developing recruitment and retention programs, funding, and future research. It is expected that the findings will be a preliminary step in developing a national evidence base for Indigenous medical student recruitment and retention.