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AMC Accreditation Update

The Australian Medical Council has recently completed an extension of accreditation assessment of the Bachelor of Medicine Bachelor of Surgery program of the University of Notre Dame Australia, School of Medicine (Fremantle).

In the year accreditation ends, a school submits a comprehensive report for extension of accreditation. Subject to a satisfactory report, the AMC may extend the accreditation for a further period of accreditation, up to a maximum of four years, before a new accreditation review.

In 2012 an AMC Team completed a review of the School's program to consider whether the University of Notre Dame Australia School of Medicine (Fremantle) is meeting the approved accreditation standards and will continue to do so for the next period of accreditation.

In October 2012 the AMC Directors found that the medical program meets the accreditation standards and granted an extension of accreditation until 31 December 2016 subject to conditions on accreditation and the submission of satisfactory annual progress reports to the Medical School Accreditation Committee. The School has made substantial progress in addressing earlier conditions on accreditation.

The School's first graduating class of 80 students entered the health workforce in 2008. The School now graduates approximately 100 medical students each year.

The AMC found the School has cultivated well-developed relationships with many health organisations in Western Australia.

The School's clinical program is well established and covers the major clinical specialties in both the specialist and general environments. The medical curriculum is delivered well in both the public and private sectors. The School provides students with a broad experience, covering the major clinical sciences and providing opportunity for problem solving and clinical reflection.

The Executive Summary of the 2012 AMC Accreditation report is available [here](#). The AMC will continue to monitor the School's progress through its annual progress reports.

The AMC presented the accreditation decision noted above to the Medical Board of Australia for decision on the approval of the programs of study for registration purposes. The Medical Board of Australia details its decisions about accredited programs of study in communiqués published on its website: <http://www.medicalboard.gov.au/News/Communiques.aspx> following each meeting.

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