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AMC Accreditation Update

The Australian Medical Council has recently completed a follow-up assessment of the Doctor of Medicine program of the University of Melbourne's Faculty of Medicine, **Dentistry and Health Sciences.**

The AMC assessed the Doctor of Medicine (MD) Program of the University of Melbourne Faculty of Medicine, Dentistry and Health Sciences, Melbourne Medical School (the School) in 2010 and granted accreditation for six years until 31 December 2016. Accreditation was subject to a follow-up assessment in 2012 to review the implementation of the first two years of the course and detailed plans for Years 3 and 4, and the submission of satisfactory progress reports to the Medical School Accreditation Committee.

An AMC Team assessed the School in June 2012, reviewing the School's submission and visiting the University and clinical sites, meeting with University representatives and School staff, students and clinicians. The Team prepared an assessment report against the accreditation standards, which was considered by the Medical School Accreditation Committee, which made recommendations to the AMC Directors.

At its 22 November 2012 meeting, the AMC Directors found that the Melbourne MD Program continues to meet the approved primary medical accreditation standards and confirmed accreditation to 31 December 2016 subject to conditions.

The AMC found that the School had successfully implemented the first two years of the program, that planning for Year 3 of the program was progressing satisfactorily and that planning was underway for Year 4.

The Program's strengths include the enthusiasm and expertise of its staff and clinicians across all sites, its innovative curriculum initiatives and teaching methods and its impressive clinical educational facilities.

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 presents accreditation decisions and reports to the Medical Board of Australia to make a 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 following each meeting.

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