

**Question on Notice**  
**No. 846**  
**Asked on 18 August 2004**

DR FLEGG asked the Minister for Health (MR NUTTALL)—

QUESTION:

With reference to his response to Estimates Committee E Question on Notice #1—

Will he advise how many of the 1222 paid medical positions employed by Queensland Health are (a) overseas trained doctors on temporary work visas and (b) overseas trained doctors not on temporary work visas?

ANSWER:

Medical positions are created for a specific category of medical officer for example, intern, junior house officer, registrar etc. and not for the country in which a medical officer may have obtained their primary medical degree. There are no designated positions for overseas trained doctors on temporary work visas or overseas trained doctors not on temporary work visas. There are a significant number of permanent doctors who obtained their degree overseas.