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Deans welcome funding agreement

Australia's peak medical university body has welcomed the agreement reached last Sunday by COAG on national health reforms.

'We are particularly pleased that teaching, training and research have been included in the heads of agreement,' said Professor James Angus, the President of Medical Deans, which represents Australia's 18 medical schools.

'Medical Deans is keen to contribute to the detailed discussions of how this funding will operate, and how it will flow into the continuum of medical education, from universities to specialist training,' Professor Angus said.

Professor Angus said the teaching, training and research funding was also the key to supporting the development of Advanced Health Research Centres, which are integral to driving the quality of care and translation of research.

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