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Dear Ms Connolly

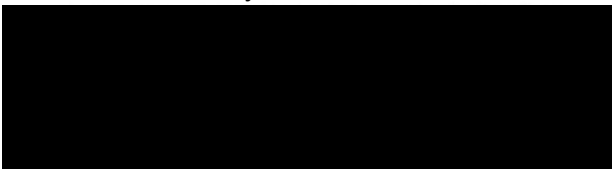
I refer to your letter of 6 February 2024 requesting information on the number of undergraduate nursing students in Victoria in 2022-23.

During the Financial Performance Outcomes hearings the Committee asked how many undergraduate nursing students there were in Victoria for the financial years 2021–22 and 2022–23. The department provided the number of students for 2021 during the hearing (see pages 6 and 24 of the transcript) but did not provide data for 2022-23.

The department relies on the Commonwealth Department of Education to supply University enrolment data. The 2022 calendar year enrolment data have not yet been supplied to the Department of Health. The Commonwealth Department of Education has not given advice on when the 2023 enrolment data will be available. There is usually a 12-to-18-month lead time for these data being provided to the Department of Health.

The department will provide this information to the Committee when the data are received from the Commonwealth Department of Education.

Yours sincerely



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