

SAMOA

Update at the end of the text cover the period through 31 December 2007

Total population in 1995: 166 000

Number of physicians per 100 000 population (1993): 38

Number of medical schools: None (*Addendum: Number of medical schools: 1 in 2002*)

Medical registration/licence to practise: Registration is obligatory with the Samoa Medical Association, c/o National Hospital, Private Bag, Apia. The licence to practise medicine is granted to graduates of a recognized medical school following 3 years' work in government service.

Work in government service after graduation: Obligatory (3 years)

Agreements with other countries: Agreements exist with Commonwealth countries and the USA.

Updates through 30 June 2003

The Government of Samoa has asked WHO to list the following school:

OCEANIA UNIVERSITY OF MEDICINE SAMOA

NATIONAL HEALTH COMPLEX

MOTO'OTUA, APIA

P.O.Box 232, APIA, Samoa.

Year instruction started: 2002

Language of instruction: English

Duration: The course is of 114 weeks duration, arranged in 18 blocks of 8 weeks (bulk of course work & instruction done online – distance / web-based- and CDROMs.)

Entrance examination: Yes

Foreign students eligible: Yes.

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Correction:

The Government of Samoa has provided WHO with the following corrected data for the Oceania University of Medicine Samoa:

Oceania University Of Medicine Samoa

National Health Complex

Moto'otua,

P.O.Box 232, APIA, Samoa

Tel. (685) 30423; Fax. (685) 30291

Website: www.oceaniamed.org

Year instruction started: 2002

Language of instruction: English

Duration of basic medical degree course, including practical training: The course is 144 weeks duration, arranged in 18 blocks of 8 weeks (4 year course).

Entrance examination: Yes

Foreign students eligible: Yes

Title of the Degree Awarded: MBBS / MD