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INDEMNITY INSURANCE FOR MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS **KEY RESOLUTION - WINDSOR**

Federal Member for New England, Tony Windsor, said today that indemnity insurance for medical professionals was a key resolution passed unanimously by the NSW Country Doctor Shortage Summit held in Tamworth.

“The motion to redefine ‘negligence’ and ‘deliberate and wilful act’ in relation to medical practice is to be raised at next Tuesday’s National Indemnity Conference in Canberra,” Mr Windsor said.

“By supporting this motion the community, the medical profession and politicians of all persuasions have recognised the importance of this issue,” he said.

“Of all the resolutions passed this motion has the most immediate importance.”

“If this motion is not carried through by the Federal and State Governments most of the other motions will have very little chance of success.”

“The community has to recognise that if we want doctors and specialist we can’t price them out of business,” Mr Windsor concluded.

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