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Dr. Taft

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Dr. Swann

How many foreign-trained physicians have been recruited to Alberta in the last five years? (WQ4)

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How many foreign-trained registered nurses have been recruited to Alberta in the last five years? (WQ5)

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May 9, 2011

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What is the average cost per procedure of privately delivered hip or knee procedures and the average cost per procedure of a publicly delivered hip or knee procedure? (WQ17)

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What is the number of people on wait lists for continuing care in Alberta, broken down by zone, with individual lists of how many are waiting in acute care beds and how many are waiting in the community? (WQ18)

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