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Dr Melanie Wuttke: Dominic College 1992-1995

Dr Melanie Wuttke is a medical oncologist at the Royal Hobart Hospital where she established the Breast Clinic, is devoted to public patient care and support, and mentors junior medical staff.

Melanie was 'Student of the Year' at Dominic College in 1994 and in 1995, and studied for a Bachelor of Science initially. On graduation, she was awarded a Medical Rural Bonded Scholarship to study Medicine at the University of Tasmania.

Melanie has embraced support and care for rural and regional communities, in Ballarat and Darwin. Melanie worked with indigenous communities for two years in Darwin in what she described as a 'massive eye-opener.'

She has researched risk reduction strategies in familial breast and ovarian cancers, and trained and presented at peer conferences nationally and internationally.

'I am here at the Royal till I retire,' Melanie said. 'I have no interest in private medicine. I like working in the public sector. The patients are amazing: with the worst news in the world, they are driven, inspiring and incredible.'

