Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

Additional Estimates 2010-2011, 23 February 2010

Question: E11-116

OUTCOME 0: Whole of Portfolio

Topic: HEALTH REFORM

Senator Fierravanti-Wells asked:

Can you provide a list of all publications on health reform from November 2007 to August 2010 including:

- a) The number of copies of each publication?
- b) The cost of each publication?
- c) Where the money came from for each publication?
- d) For each publication, what portion of its contents remain valid post the health reform proposals announced by the Prime Minister on 13 February 2011?

Answer:

List:

- A National Health and Hospitals Network for Australia's Future Delivering Better Health and Better Hospitals (red book):
 - a) 5,800
 - b) \$65,183
- A National Health and Hospitals Network for Australia's Future Delivering the Reforms (gold book):
 - a) 10,000
 - b) \$45,354
- A National Health and Hospitals Network for Australia's Future (blue book):
 - a) 1,100
 - b) \$57,222
- A National Health and Hospitals Network: Further Investments in Australia's health (green book):
 - a) 500
 - b) \$36,444
- National Hospital Health & Reform Commission Final Report:
 - a) 6,000
 - b) \$98,395
- National Hospital Health & Reform Commission Interim Report:
 - a) 1,500
 - b) \$55,281
- c) The publications were funded from the Department's existing budget allocation.
- d) The majority of the contents of the publications, for example Local Hospital Networks, Medicare Locals, activity-based funding, GP Super Clinics and e-health continue to be relevant.