

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

Additional Estimates 2010-2011, 23 February 2011

Question: E11-132

OUTCOME 3: Access to Medical Services

Topic: PROFESSIONAL SERVICES REVIEW (PSR)

Written Question on Notice

Senator Fierravanti-Wells asked:

- a) The term of Tony Webber, the Director of the Professional Services Review (PSR), expires on 13 May 2011 and the guidelines must inform, from six months before, as to whether he will be reappointed. Has this occurred?
- b) If he has not been reappointed, what is the reason?

Answer:

a and b)

Dr Webber's term as Director of PSR is due to expire on 14 May 2011. Dr Webber has indicated that he will not be seeking permanent reappointment due to personal circumstances. Consistent with broader Government policy regarding statutory appointments, the permanent appointment will be advertised through an open, merit-based recruitment process that will be concluded by August 2011.