

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

Additional Estimates 2010-11, 23 February 2011

Question: E11-188

OUTCOME 11: Mental Health

Topic: HEADSPACE

Written Question on Notice

Senator Fierravanti-Wells asked:

By what measure did the Government project that once fully established Headspace will provide services to 20,000 young people each year?

Answer:

During the 2010 Budget, the Government projected that approximately an additional 20,000 young people each year will receive help from headspace once the new sites are fully operational.

This estimate was calculated by reviewing the current total number of clients seen by headspace over 30 sites during the 2009 calendar year i.e. approximately 20,000, and projecting that this number would also be achieved in the roll out of the next up to 30 sites.