

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

Additional Estimates 2010-2011, 23 February 2011

Question: E11-220

OUTCOME 10: Health System Capacity and Quality

Topic: NATIONAL E-HEALTH TRANSITION AUTHORITY (NEHTA)

Written Question on Notice

Senator Boyce asked:

How many senior NEHTA executives went to the US for this study tour, what was the tour for and what was the cost of the tour?

Answer:

NEHTA has advised the Department of Health and Ageing that NEHTA was invited by a number of Commonwealth Departments to attend meetings in Washington DC on 14-16 February 2011. Three senior NEHTA staff attended meetings and workshops during that time with US and other international officials to discuss translational medicine, translational health research and approaches to the use of information and communication technology in health care and e-health solutions.

NEHTA has advised that while all costs have not yet been fully finalised, the total cost is estimated to be approximately \$36,000.