

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWER TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

Additional Estimates 2010-2011, 23 February 2011

Question: E11-251

OUTCOME 12: Health Workforce Capacity

Topic: DENIED MEDICARE REBATES

Written Question on Notice

Senator Fierravanti-Wells asked:

If health practitioners have been denied Medicare rebates, is the Department aware of whether they have been able to claim under private health insurance and, if so, have they been left out of pocket?

Answer:

The Department of Health and Ageing does not collect this data and has no information about claims under private health insurance where Medicare rebates have been denied.