

Senate Community Affairs Committee
ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND
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2010-11 Additional Estimates Hearings

Outcome Number: 5

Question No: 103

Topic: Better Start for Children with a Disability

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Senator Fifield asked:

What plans does the Government have to ensure all eligible parents are made aware of the assistance available to them and their children under the program?

Answer:

Regular updates on progress are posted on the Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs website. There will be a media announcement in the weeks leading up to implementation. A letter will be sent to stakeholder organisations confirming the eligibility criteria and date of commencement. A Helpline to answer questions from parents and carers will commence operation from 1 May 2011.