



Australian Government

Department of Families, Housing,  
Community Services and Indigenous Affairs

Senator Claire Moore  
Chair  
Senate Community Affairs legislation Committee  
Parliament House  
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Senator

**Clarification of an answer to Additional Budget Estimates Hearing  
14 February 2013**

I am writing to clarify an answer provided to the Committee during its examination of the Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs in relation to Outcome 5.1.

In answer to Senator Fierravanti-Wells' question regarding the number of clients in Personal Helpers and Mentors (PHaMs), I said:

*In 2011-12, 13,212 people were assisted.*

However, the total is actually 13,219 clients.

In answer to Senator Fierravanti-Wells' question regarding the number of clients in Mental Health Respite: Carer Support, I said:

*The number of clients is 28,742.*

However, the total is actually 28,745 clients.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Jill Farrelly'.

Jill Farrelly  
Branch Manager  
Mental Health

27 February 2013