

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH PORTFOLIO

Additional Estimates 2013 - 2014, 26 February 2014

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OUTCOME: 0 - Whole of Portfolio

Topic: Consultancies

Type of Question: Written Question on Notice

Senator: Ludwig Joe

Question:

1. How many consultancies have been undertaken from Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date? Identify the name of the consultant, the subject matter of the consultancy, the duration and cost of the arrangement, and the method of procurement (ie. open tender, direct source, etc). Also include total value for all consultancies.
2. How many consultancies are planned for this calendar year? Have these been published in your Annual Procurement Plan (APP) on the AusTender website and if not why not?
 - a) In each case please identify the subject matter, duration, cost and method of procurement as above, and the name of the consultant if known.
3. Have any consultancies not gone out for tender?
 - a) If so, which ones and why?

Answer:

1. There were 32 consultancy contracts valued at \$10,000 or more undertaken during the period 20 November 2013 to 28 February 2014. A listing of the Department of Health's consultancies valued at \$10,000 or more, including the name of the consultant, cost and the method of procurement (ie. open tender, direct source, etc) is publicly available on the AusTender website at www.tenders.gov.au
2. Major consultancies planned are included in the Department's Annual Procurement Plan and are also available on the AusTender website.
 - a) Refer to the AusTender website.
3. Refer to the AusTender website.
 - a) See above.