Senate Community Affairs Committee ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE SOCIAL SERVICES PORTFOLIO

2013-14 Additional Estimates Hearings

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Topic: FOFMS implementation process

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Senator Moore asked:

Can the Department provide an update on the FOFMS implementation process including Ageing and Aged Care?

Answer:

The Department currently manages around 700 Ageing and Aged Care grants in FOFMS.

Due to the nature of the funding arrangements of the Home and Community Care Programme, grants will remain on the Interim Grants Management System (IGMS) until 1 July 2015.

The Department is in the process of training staff, preparing data and entering around 1,000 grants onto FOFMS. It is expected that grant management and payments for new and continuing grants will commence in FOFMS from 1 July 2014.