Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Senator: McLucas, Jan

Question:

Please provide an update on the National Mental Health Service Planning Framework, including an explanation as to why the framework has been delayed, and the planned stages of its development.

Answer:

The National Mental Health Service Planning Framework (NMHSPF) has been developed to a trial stage by the NSW Ministry of Health, with some technical limitations being evident.

The guiding Project Executive Group (PEG), with membership from all states and territories, noted that refinement and field testing of the NMHSPF is necessary.

The refinement and field testing phase of the project is currently being negotiated.