

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH PORTFOLIO

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OUTCOME: 2 - Health Access and Support Services

Topic: Non-Government Organisation Treatment Grants Programme and the Substance Misuse Prevention and Service Improvement Grants Fund

Type of Question: Written Question on Notice

Senator: Watt, Murray

Question:

- a) What will be the funding amounts for the Non-Government Organisation Treatment Grants Programme and the Substance Misuse Prevention and Service Improvement Grants Fund next financial year?
- b) What will be the split between organisations directly funded by the Department, and those funded by PHNs?
- c) How will the PHNs allocate money to organisations? Please outline the full process and timeline.
Please breakdown the amount of funding allocated to each PHN.

Answer:

- a) The Non Government Organisation Treatment Grants Program and the Substance Misuse Prevention and Service Improvement Grants Fund now form part of the Drug and Alcohol Program. In 2017-18, \$164.926 million in funding has been allocated for the Drug and Alcohol Program.
- b) Of those organisations previously funded under the former Non Government Organisation Treatment Grants Program, 35 organisations will be funded by the Department of Health, while funding for 83 organisations will be administered by Primary Health Networks (PHNs) from 1 July 2017.

Organisations funded under the former Substance Misuse Prevention and Service Improvement Grant Fund will continue to be funded directly by the Department.

- c) Funding provided to PHNs is to be allocated to organisations currently funded by the Department in line with 2016-17 funding rates. Funding will be provided to PHNs prior to 30 June 2017, to ensure treatment services have access to funds from 1 July 2017. Funding will be offered to support service delivery from 1 July 2017 until 30 June 2019.

Funding by Primary Health Network is provided in Table 1.

Table 1. Drug and Alcohol Treatment Funding transitioning to PHNs from 2017-18.

Primary Health Network*	Proposed annual transition funding from 2017-18**
Adelaide	\$3,767,047
Australian Capital Territory	\$1,243,440
Brisbane North	\$4,135,062
Brisbane South	\$1,374,821
Central and Eastern Sydney	\$2,581,110
Central Queensland, Wide Bay, Sunshine Coast	\$523,267
Country SA	\$1,410,359
Country WA	\$844,861
Darling Downs and West Moreton	\$407,532
Eastern Melbourne	\$2,106,502
Gippsland	\$103,801
Gold Coast	\$712,622
Hunter New England and Central Coast	\$203,250
Murray	\$739,279
Nepean Blue Mountains	\$317,100
North Coast	\$1,282,810
North Western Melbourne	\$4,173,042
Northern Queensland	\$1,213,254
Northern Sydney	\$323,380
Northern Territory	\$2,289,240
Perth North	\$2,166,022
Perth South	\$728,070
South Eastern Melbourne	\$2,220,337
South Eastern NSW	\$389,080
South Western Sydney	\$992,960
Tasmania	\$2,952,710
Western Queensland	\$520,000
Western Sydney	\$1,213,210
Western Victoria	\$1,716,775
Grand Total	\$42,650,943

* All services within Murrumbidgee and Western NSW PHN regions will continue to be directly funded by the Department from 2017-18.

** Funding amounts include services funded under the former Non Government Organisation Treatment Grants Program and the Substance Misuse Service Delivery Grants Fund.