

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH PORTFOLIO

Additional Estimates 2016 - 2017, 1 March 2017

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OUTCOME: 4 - Individual Health Benefits

Topic: MBS Review

Type of Question: Written Question on Notice

Senator: Watt, Murray

Question:

- a) Is McKinsey and Company still engaged to support the work of the MBS Review?
- b) How many McKinsey staff are involved in the Review?
- c) How much has the Department paid McKinsey and Company since the Review commenced?
- d) How about other consultancies? Are there other contracts? What are they worth?

Answer:

- a) Yes.
- b) At various stages over the past 12 months, 17 McKinsey Pacific Rim's staff members have assisted with secretariat and strategic support functions.
- c) As at 1 March 2017, the Department had paid \$5.6 million to McKinsey Pacific Rim.
- d) In addition to McKinsey Pacific Rim contract, the Department has also entered into contracts with the following Organisations since the Review commenced:

• Consumers Health Forum	\$0.065m
• Radian Consulting Pty Ltd	\$0.146m
• Biotext Pty Ltd	\$0.015m
• Deloitte Access Economics	\$0.150m
• National Prescribing Service (NPS) Ltd	\$0.787m
• ORC International	\$0.080m
• University of Sydney	\$0.010m
• Urbis Pty Ltd	\$0.088m
• Meletroup Pty Ltd	\$0.078m
• HealthConsult Pty Ltd (5 separate contracts)	\$0.420m
• Protiviti Pty Ltd	\$0.078m