Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH PORTFOLIO

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OUTCOME: 2 - Health Access and Support Services

Topic: Fifth National Mental Health Plan

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Senator: O'Neill, Deborah

Question:

Can the Department confirm there was a letter from the Mental Health Drug and Alcohol Principal Committee that was sent to stakeholders regarding the consultations stating 130 written submissions had been received? Will these submissions be made publicly available and will there be a summary report of feedback?

Answer:

Yes. A letter was sent from the Chair of the Mental Health Drug and Alcohol Principal Committee (MHDAPC) on the 24 January 2017 to mental health stakeholders. This letter stated that over 130 written submissions were received as part of the national consultation process.

The submissions and a summary of the outcomes from the national consultation process will be made publicly available at a date to be determined by the MHDAPC.