

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**

**ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**HEALTH PORTFOLIO**

**Additional Estimates 2016 - 2017, 1 March 2017**

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**OUTCOME:** 2 - Health Access and Support Services

**Topic:** Fifth National Mental Health Plan

**Type of Question:** Written Question on Notice

**Senator:** O'Neill, Deborah

**Question:**

Has the Department carried out any future workforce modelling in relation to the plan? If not, why not? Will the Fifth National Mental Health Plan clearly show which tiers of government will be responsible for each action?

**Answer:**

No. The Fifth Plan is a Health Ministers' plan that articulates a set of nationally agreed priority areas and actions that governments will work collaboratively on over the next five years. The Fifth Plan is still being redrafted and is yet to be finalised for endorsement.

The Fifth National Mental Health Plan is aiming to delineate which tiers of government will be responsible for each action.