

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

Budget Estimates 2011-2012, 30 May 2011

Question: E11-039

OUTCOME 4: Aged Care and Population Ageing

Topic: AGED CARE EDUCATION AND TRAINING INCENTIVE PROGRAM

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Senator Furner asked:

Are you able to provide the outcomes in terms of those three streams as to where the uptake has been, what has been paid out in terms of not necessarily the first or the second payments but the overall payment, and also the general feedback you are receiving as a response to that particular program from aged care facilities?

Answer:

As at 30 June 2011, 5,265 payments totalling \$4,426,000 have been processed and paid under the Aged Care Education and Training Incentive Program. The table below shows the number of payments that have been made for each level of study.

<b>Level of Study</b>	<b>Number of Payments</b>	<b>Payment amount (\$)</b>
Certificate III and IV	2,976	1,488,000
Enrolled Nurse	1,643	1,645,000
Registered Nurse	646	1,293,000

The general feedback received from both registered training organisations and aged care facilities is that aged care workers appreciate the assistance they receive under the program.