

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

Budget Estimates 2011-2012, 30/31 May 2011

Question: E11-277

OUTCOME 11: Mental Health

Topic: MULTICULTURAL MENTAL HEALTH AUSTRALIA PROJECT  
(MMHA)

Written Question on Notice

Senator Fierravanti-Wells asked:

Why was the review conducted in May 2009, 5 months into the new 3-year funding period, instead of at the end of the 2008-2011 funding period?

Answer:

By agreement between the Department of Health and Ageing and the provider of the Multicultural Mental Health Australia project, the 2008-2011 funding agreement for the project required that an independent review occur during the period 2008-2009 and that the outcomes and recommendations would inform the detailed work of the project for the remainder of the funding period.

A Request for Quotation for the review of the Multicultural Mental Health Australia project was made by the Department in January 2009. The review was established in March 2009 and the Department received the final review report in November 2009.