Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

Budget Estimates 2011-2012, 30/31 May 2011

Question: E11-278

OUTCOME 11: Mental Health

Topic: MULTICULTURAL MENTAL HEALTH AUSTRALIA PROJECT

(MMHA)

Written Question on Notice

Senator Fierravanti-Wells asked:

Is it true that the 2008-2011 funding decision was not relayed to MMHA by DoHA until the end of October 2008 and 4 months after the previous funding period ended on 30 June 2008? Is this an acceptable good practice?

Answer:

The 2008-2011 funding agreement for the Multicultural Mental Health Australia project was signed in October 2008. Negotiations for that funding agreement began at the end of the previous project period.