

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

Budget Estimates 2011-2012, 30/31 May 2011

Question: E11-101

OUTCOME 4: Aged Care and Population Ageing

Topic: SITES FOR AGED CARE FACILITIES

Written Question on Notice

Senator Boyce asked:

Could the Department provide a list of the national sites for which you have received representations for the provision of an aged care facility in the last three years?

Answer:

The Department does not maintain a list of all representations received for the provision of aged care facilities.

As part of the annual planning process for the Aged Care Approvals Round, Aged Care Planning Advisory Committees (ACPACs) are established in each state and territory to provide advice to the Department on the number and distribution of new places in each jurisdiction. Each Committee considers input in relation to identified aged care needs from local, state and federal members, governments, community groups, individuals and organisations.

Most of the submissions made to the ACPACs identify aged care needs at the level of the aged care planning region, rather than identifying individual locations or sites for aged care facilities.

Priority locations for aged care places are published in the Regional Distribution of Places at the time of advertising each Aged Care Approvals Round. The 2011 Aged Care Approvals Round Regional Distribution of Places is available at www.health.gov.au/acar2011