

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**

**ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**HEALTH PORTFOLIO**

**Budget Estimates 2015 - 2016, 1 - 2 June 2015**

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**OUTCOME:** 3 - Access to Medical and Dental Services

**Topic:** Dental Care

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

**Senator:** Di Natale, Richard

**Question:**

Under the previous NPA, the Commonwealth allocated \$344 million to state and territory governments to assist them in delivering services to up to 400,000 adults on public dental waiting lists. What is the projected allocation for the next Agreement and the expected number of people it will service?

**Answer:**

The 2015-16 Budget provides \$155 million under the National Partnership Agreement on Adult Public Dental Services for the treatment of around 178,000 public dental patients during 2015-16.