

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH PORTFOLIO

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OUTCOME: 5 - Primary Health Care

Topic: Substance Misuse Service Delivery Grant fund

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Senator: McLucas, Jan

Question:

What was the amount of funding transferred to PMC to support Indigenous communities and services to provide drug and alcohol treatment.

Answer:

As a result of the Machinery of Government changes responsibility for the delivery of indigenous specific drug and alcohol services became the responsibility of the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet (PM&C).

The following priority areas of the Substance Misuse Service Delivery Grants Fund, and associated funding of \$415 million from 2013-14 to 2016-17, transferred to PM&C as part of the Machinery of Government changes:

- Assisting Indigenous communities to provide service delivery;
- Supporting those services targeting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people; and
- Reducing the prevalence and impact of petrol sniffing.