

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH PORTFOLIO

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OUTCOME: 6 - Ageing and Aged Care

Topic: Aged Care

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Senator: Polley, Helen

Question:

Senator POLLEY: I want to start by congratulating the department on managing to take six program areas and summarise them into four. You have successfully eliminated any resemblance of any detail within that portfolio budget statement. I would like to put on notice that I would appreciate some aged care expenses around things like, for instance, how much is allocated to DACs, DMAS, the flying squads and workforce development—which we know the government is not doing anything on. I would also really appreciate some detail about the expenses involved in My Aged Care, the Commonwealth Home Support Program and the usual sorts of programs that at the moment have all been lumped under one heading. We are going to have time over the next couple of days before the election is called, so if you cannot provide the details today, then we will have to have that on notice. But there are no details at all.

Answer:

Estimates for My Aged Care, the Dementia and Aged Care Services Fund, Residential Care Severe Response Teams (flying squads), Commonwealth Home Support Programme, Aged Care Workforce and Dementia Training Program and Dementia Behaviour Management Advisory Service are in the table below.

Estimates as @ 2016-17 Budget						
	\$'000	2016-2017	2017-2018	2018-2019	2019-2020	Total
My Aged Care		50,725	51,908	55,168	60,496	218,297
Dementia and Aged Care Services Fund		93,023	76,370	76,360	77,582	323,335
Residential Care Severe Response Teams		13,226	13,875	14,602	15,277	56,980
Commonwealth Home Support Programme		2,236,949	2,334,157	2,459,572	2,581,053	9,611,731
Aged Care Workforce [^]		35,300	34,100	33,200	30,500	133,100
Dementia Training Program*		9,300	9,300	9,300	9,300	37,200
Dementia Behaviour Management Advisory Service*		13,417	13,400	13,400	13,400	53,617
* Funded through the Dementia and Aged Care Services Fund						
[^] Funding through Health Workforce Fund Outcome 8						