Senate Community Affairs Committee ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE SOCIAL SERVICES PORTFOLIO

2017-18 Budget Estimates Hearings

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Topic: Drug Testing

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Senator Gavin Marshall asked:

Has the Government undertaken analysis of the availability of drug rehab services for referral under the policy? What would happen where services are not available? What would happen where a person declines referral?

Answer:

The Department of Social Services has looked at the availability of drug and alcohol treatment services and will also be working with state and territory governments in the selected trial sites to ensure that jobseekers are able to access appropriate treatment and support services.