

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**

**ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO**

**Supplementary Budget Estimates 17 & 19 October 2012**

**Question:** E12-007

**OUTCOME 1:** Population Health

**Topic:** FUNDING ALLOCATED TO REVISE THE DIETARY GUIDELINES

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**Senator:** Senator Fierravanti-Wells

**Question:**

You released draft dietary guidelines for consultation between December 2011 and February 2012, and I want to touch on some of those. How much funding has been allocated to revise the Australian dietary guidelines?

**Answer:**

The Department of Health and Ageing has allocated funding to the National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) for the Eat for Health program which includes the update of the Australian Dietary Guidelines, Infant Feeding Guidelines and the development of all associated companion resources. Since this work began in 2008, NHMRC has received \$2.1 million (GST Inclusive) from the Department for the activity.