

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

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Topic: PAID PARENTAL LEAVE

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Senator: Senator Boyce

Question:

- a) Please list how many staff in each portfolio department and agency are eligible to receive payments under the Government's Paid Parental Leave scheme?
- b) For this financial year to date list which department/agency is providing its employees with payments under the Government's Paid Parental Leave scheme? Please list how many staff and their classification are in receipt of these payments.

Answer:

- a) The Human Services Portfolio (Centrelink) is responsible for assessing and determining eligibility for the Government's Paid Parental Leave scheme, therefore the Department of Health and Ageing is unable to respond.
- b) The Department, including the Office of the Gene Technology Regulator, national Industrial Chemicals Notification and Assessment Scheme and the Therapeutic Goods Administration has 61 staff members, ranging from APS4 to EL2 classification levels, who have received payments under the Government's Paid Parental Leave scheme to date in the 2012-13 financial year.