

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**

**ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO**

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**Question:** E12-271

**OUTCOME 12:** Health Workforce Capacity

**Topic:** DENTAL RELOCATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE SUPPORT SCHEME

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**Senator:** Senator Fierravanti-Wells

**Question:**

How many dentists have expressed interest in participating in this program?

**Answer:**

The Department of Health and Ageing does not maintain data relating to enquiries regarding the program prior to its commencement. However a significant amount of email and telephone traffic has resulted in the Department organising a hotline for late November 2012.

The program will be administered by an external organisation, which will be responsible for providing information to dentists interested in participating. The process for selecting an administrator will commence in early 2013.