Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

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OUTCOME 6: Rural Health

Topic: ESTABLISHMENT OF RURAL AND REGIONAL HEALTH AUSTRALIA

(RRHA)

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Senator: Senator Fierravanti-Wells

Question:

Have the staffing levels within RRHA remained the same since the previous Estimates hearing? What is your current FTE?

Answer:

No. The Rural and Regional Health Australia (RRHA) staffing levels were reported in the May 2012 senate estimates hearing to be 53.42 Full Time Equivalent (FTE). RRHA staffing levels as at 30 September 2012 were 44.34 FTE.

The reduction in the number of FTE staff is the result of natural attrition, voluntary redundancies and some program activities being absorbed into Medicare Locals.