

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**

**ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**HEALTH PORTFOLIO**

**Supplementary Budget Estimates 2013-14, 20 November 2013**

**Question: E13-113**

**OUTCOME:** 1 - Population Health

**Topic:** Tobacco and Mental Illness Initiative

**Type of Question:** Written Question on Notice

**Senator:** Wright

**Question:**

- a) When will the Department's funding for the Tobacco and Mental Illness Initiative cease?
- b) How much will the Department save by ceasing to fund this program?

**Answer:**

- a) The current funding agreement with the Mental Illness Fellowship of Australia, to deliver the Tobacco and Mental Illness Initiative, ended on 31 December 2013.
- b) This initiative is not a government program, but a time limited project funded until 31 December 2013. As such the Department of Health will not be saving money (per se) when the funding agreement ceases.