

Supplementary Estimates 2013-14 Index to Questions on Notice - Department of Health

| QoN No. | Agency/ Outcome | Senator | Party | Broad Topic | QUESTION | Hansard/ Ref |
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| 1 | 1 | Xenophon | IND | Timing Guidelines for Pap Smears | a) What is the current advice regarding timing of PAP smear tests for women? Is two years considered best practice? b) Is this guidance being reconsidered? If so, why? | Written QoN |
| 2 | 1 | Xenophon | IND | Timing Guidelines for Pap Smears | There have been reports that the recommended timing will be extended to three years. a) Are these reports correct? b) What is the basis for this reconsideration? Is it a cost-saving measure for Medicare? c) Has research been done about the possible health outcomes? If so, please provide any documents regarding such research. d) Is this likely to result in a decrease in the detection of more aggressive forms of cancer? e) I have a constituent in Adelaide who is suffering from a very aggressive form of cervical cancer, which was only picked up in time for treatment because she followed the two-year guideline. If she had waited another year, the cancer would have progressed beyond the treatable stage. Have cases like this been taken into account? | Written QoN |
| 3 | 1 | Xenophon | IND | Generic Medical Devices | a) What is the TGA's position on generic medical devices? b) Has the TGA received any applications for approval of generic devices? c) How would the TGA ensure that a generic device met the same manufacturing standards as a 'brand name' device? d) Does the TGA have protocols in place for approving or assessing generic devices? | Written QoN |
| 4 | 1 | McLucas | ALP | Staffing | a) How many appointments have there been since the election (7 September)? b) What positions were filled? c) What process was followed? d) Are the appointments permanent or fixed-term? | 44 - 20/11/2013 |
| 5 | 1 | McLucas | ALP | Blueprint Implementation | a) What purpose have the consultants engaged as part of the Blueprint implementation been contracted for? b) When do these contracts end? | 46 - 20/11/2013 |
| 6 | 1 | Ludwig | ALP | Sports Funding | a) Can you confirm whether the present investment allocation (Australia's winning edge) will continue, if not why not? b) Should the Australia's winning edge continue, is it correct to interpret the sports categorisation 2013 to mean that Foundation, perspective and emerging sports will be funded only if they are related to achieving success at the Olympics, or Paralympics. c) If not, can you explain how the categorisation works for non-Olympic or Paralympic sports that are both on the list for investment allocation and those not on the list for the investment allocation but are listed as NSO? d) How do world championship sports activities that are not currently receiving any investment allocation achieve an allocation? e) What are the criteria used for 4 above? f) If not can you explain the methodology to achieve an investment allocation for a sporting body? g) Will the current investment allocation continue in its current form, if not why not? | Written QoN |
| 7 | 1 | Ludwig | ALP | Sports Funding | Is there any consideration or work, or review being done to change the investment allocation or the current funding envelope, if so please provide all relevant details and or documents? If not, how long will the investment allocation stay in place? | Written QoN |
| 8 | 1 | Ludwig | ALP | Sports Funding | a) Can you confirm whether there is any consideration to reduce the amount available for grant allocations by the Australian sports commission? If, so how much and where will the cuts be made and who is likely to miss out? b) For example, how would sports such as, the World National Junior Gliding Championship being held in Narromine in 2015, gain funding from the Commonwealth? | Written QoN |
| 9 | 6 | Ludwig | ALP | Rural Health Funding | a) Which communities have received outreach services through the Rural Health Outreach Fund? b) What financial disincentives to health professionals does the fund seek to address? c) What is considered a 'financial disincentive'? d) How does the fund improve access to medical specialists? e) To which medical specialist does the fund improve access? f) How are recipients selected? g) What criteria are considered? h) What types of outreach services are provided? i) How does the funding of telehealth services improve access to quality health care? j) Do telehealth services discourage patients from accessing face-to-face care? k) Is patient care compromised? l) Which allied and other health providers are eligible for the funding? m) Which state and territory organisations administer the fund? n) How are the organisations selected? o) Which stakeholder groups were consulted to identify community needs? p) Who else attended the Advisory Forums? q) Is funding guaranteed by the Government for these funds? | Written QoN |
| 10 | 6 | Ludwig | ALP | Rural Health Funding | a) Please provide a list of projects funded by the Rural and Remote Health Infrastructure Program fund. b) How many medical students received training through facilities provided by the program over the last year? c) Is funding guaranteed by the Government for these funds? | Written QoN |
| 11 | 6 | Ludwig | ALP | Rural Health Funding | Under the last government, Federal funding for the Rural Women's GP service was extended for two years to 2014-2015. Is this extension going to be maintained under the new Government? | Written QoN |

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| 12 | 6 | Ludwig | ALP | Rural Health Funding | a) How does the Practice Incentive Program (PIP) payment for teaching encourage general practices in rural and remote areas to provide teaching opportunities for medical students? b) Does the payment offset the cost of lost consultation time due to teaching? c) Is there evidence that the current PIP payment does not adequately compensate general practices? i. If so, what is the evidence? ii. If so, what is the gap? | Written QoN |
| 13 | 6 | Ludwig | ALP | Rural Health Funding | a) How much will the increased PIP payment be for rural and remote general practices that provide teaching opportunities? b) Will all general practices across the country receive the increase? i. If not, what is the process for deciding which practices will receive the increase? c) How will the increase be rolled out? i. Over what period of time? d) Will the PIP rural loading continue to be determined by the Rural, Remote and Metropolitan Areas (RRMA) Classification? i. If not, which classification system will be used? e) Has the Minister for Health consulted the Rural Doctors Association of Australia (RDAA) in deciding upon the amount of the increase? i. If so, what was the nature of the consultation? ii. If so, what issues were raised during the consultation? iii. If so, what was the response of the RDAA? f) Which other stakeholders were consulted in deciding upon the amount of the increase? g) Is other funding available to rural and remote practices that are not accredited, or registered for accreditation, against the Royal Australian College of General Practitioners (RACGP) Standards for general practices? i. Is funding assistance available for rural and remote practices that wish to become accredited for the purpose of obtaining the PIP payment? h) Will the increased PIP payment for teaching come at the cost of other vital services? | Written QoN |
| 14 | 6 | Ludwig | ALP | Rural Health Funding | a) What policies and procedures has the Minister for Health implemented to ensure that infrastructure grants are accessible to rural and remote practices? b) What does the grant application process involve? c) What criteria are used to select grant recipients? d) Is funding available to practices that are unable to provide an equal commitment? i. If so, how much? e) What is it expected that grants will be spent on? f) How will the grants assist general practices to provide improved services to rural and remote communities? g) Are grants available for specialist services? i. If so, which services? | Written QoN |
| 15 | 6 | Ludwig | ALP | Rural Health Funding | a) What is the process for determining which rural and remote general practices receive assistance to expand their facilities? b) What form of assistance will be provided? c) What facilities in particular will be expanded? i. What is the justification for expanding these facilities? d) What measures will be implemented to ensure that assistance is targeted to practices most in need? i. How will these practices be identified? | Written QoN |
| 16 | 6 | Ludwig | ALP | Rural Health Funding | a) Will doctors in larger regional centres continue to be paid the same as those practicing in rural and remote towns? b) Will this continue to be determined according to the Australian Geographical Classification Remoteness Area (ASGC-RA) system? i. If not, which classification system will be used? c) Are there further incentives to encourage doctors to work in very remote communities? d) What incentives are available to encourage rural doctors to remain in rural practice? | Written QoN |
| 17 | 6 | Ludwig | ALP | Rural Health Funding | a) How will nursing and allied health scholarships be targeted to address workforce shortages in rural and remote areas? b) Will the scholarships be available to overseas-born medical students who train in Australia? c) Is assistance available to support students while they are undertaking medical internships? | Written QoN |
| 18 | 6 | Ludwig | ALP | Rural Health Funding | a) Will overseas trained doctors seeking to practice in rural and remote communities receive the training required to meet the needs of these communities? b) Will overseas trained doctors be encouraged to practice in these communities? i. If so, will training be provided prior to unsupervised practice? c) Will Australian trained doctors be given preference to practice in these communities? d) How are medical students encouraged to take up training opportunities in these areas? i. Are there incentives for students? | Written QoN |
| 19 | 6 | Ludwig | ALP | Rural Health Funding | a) Is funding available to support the provision of specialist medical treatment and allied services in rural and remote areas? b) If so, which practice areas receive funding? | Written QoN |
| 20 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Departmental Reviews | Since 7 September 2013, how many new Reviews have been commenced? Please list them including: a) the date they were ordered b) the date they commenced c) the minister responsible d) the department responsible e) the nature of the review f) their terms of reference g) the scope of the review h) Whom is conducting the review i) the number of officers, and their classification level, involved in conducting the review j) the expected report date k) If the report will be tabled in parliament or made public | Written QoN |

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| 21 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Departmental Reviews | a) For any review commenced or ordered since 7 September 2013, have any external people, companies or contractors being engaged to assist or conduct the review? b) If so, please list them, including their name and/or trading name/s and any known alias or other trading names c) If so, please list their managing director and the board of directors or equivalent d) If yes, for each what are the costs associated with their involvement, broken down to each cost item e) If yes, for each, what is the nature of their involvement f) If yes, for each, are they on the lobbyist register, provide details g) If yes, for each, what contact has the Minister or their office had with them h) If yes, for each, who selected them i) If yes, for each, did the minister or their office have any involvement in selecting them i. If yes, please detail what involvement it was ii. If yes, did they see or provided input to a short list iii. If yes, on what dates did this involvement occur iv. If yes, did this involve any verbal discussions with the department v. If yes, on what dates did this involvement occur | Written QoN |
| 22 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Departmental Reviews | Since 7 September 2013, what reviews are on-going? Please list them. | Written QoN |
| 23 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Departmental Reviews | Since 7 September 2013, have any reviews been stopped, paused or ceased? Please list them. | Written QoN |
| 24 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Departmental Reviews | Since Budget estimates, what reviews have concluded? Please list them. | Written QoN |
| 25 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Departmental Reviews | Since 7 September 2013, how many reviews have been provided to Government? Please list them and the date they were provided. | Written QoN |
| 26 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Departmental Reviews | When will the Government be responding to the respective reviews that have been completed? | Written QoN |
| 27 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Departmental Reviews | a) What reviews are planned? b) When will each planned review be commenced? c) When will each of these reviews be concluded? d) When will government respond to each review? e) Will the government release each review? i. If so, when? ii. If not, why not? | Written QoN |
| 28 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Commissioned Reports | a) Since 7 September 2013, how many Reports have been commissioned by the Government in your department/agency? Please provide details of each report including date commissioned, date report handed to Government, date of public release, Terms of Reference and Committee members. b) How much did each report cost/or is estimated to cost? How many departmental staff were involved in each report and at what level? c) What is the current status of each report? When is the Government intending to respond to these reports? | Written QoN |
| 29 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Briefings For Other Parties | Have any briefings and/or provision of information have been provided to the Australian Greens? If yes, please include: a) How are briefings requests commissioned? b) What briefings have been undertaken? Provide details and a copy of each briefing. c) Provide details of what information has been provided and a copy of the information. d) Have any briefings request been unable to proceed? If yes, provide details of what the requests were and why it could not proceed. e) How long is spent preparing and undertaking briefings/information requests for the Australian Greens? How many staff are involved and how many hours? Provide a breakdown for each employment classification. | Written QoN |
| 30 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Briefings For Other Parties | Have any briefings and/or provision of information been provided to Independents? If yes, please include: a) How are briefings requests commissioned? b) What briefings have been undertaken? Provide details and a copy of each briefing. c) Provide details of what information has been provided and a copy of the information. d) Have any briefings request been unable to proceed? If yes, provide details of what the requests were and why it could not proceed. e) How long is spent preparing and undertaking briefings/information requests for the Independents? How many staff are involved and how many hours? Provide a breakdown for each employment classification. f) Which Independents have requested briefings and/or information? | Written QoN |
| 31 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Briefings For Other Parties | Have any briefings and/or provision of information been provided to parties other than Labor or the Greens? If yes, please include: a) How are briefings requests commissioned? b) What briefings have been undertaken? Provide details and a copy of each briefing. c) Provide details of what information has been provided and a copy of the information. d) Have any briefings request been unable to proceed? If yes, provide details of what the requests were and why it could not proceed. e) How long is spent preparing and undertaking briefings/information requests for the Independents? How many staff are involved and how many hours? Provide a breakdown for each employment classification. f) Which parties have requested briefings and/or information? | Written QoN |
| 32 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Appointments | a) Provide an update of the boards within this portfolio, including: board title, terms of appointment, tenure of appointment and members. b) What is the gender ratio on each board and across the portfolio? c) Please detail any board appointments made from 7 September to date | Written QoN |
| 33 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Stationery | How much was spent by each department and agency on the government (Ministers / Parliamentary Secretaries) stationery requirements in your portfolio from 7 September 2013 to date? | Written QoN |

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| 34 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Media Subscriptions | a) What pay TV subscriptions does your department/agency have? Please provide a list of what channels and the reason for each channel. b) What is the cost from 7 September 2013 to date? c) What is provided to the Minister or their office? d) What is the cost from 7 September 2013 to date? | Written QoN |
| 35 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Media Subscriptions | a) What newspaper subscriptions does your department/agency have? Please provide a list of newspaper subscriptions and the reason for each. b) What is the cost from 7 September 2013 to date? c) What is provided to the Minister or their office? d) What is the cost from 7 September 2013 to date? | Written QoN |
| 36 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Media Subscriptions | a) What magazine subscriptions does your department/agency have? Please provide a list of magazine subscriptions and the reason for each. b) What is the cost from 7 September 2013 to date? c) What is provided to the Minister or their office? d) What is the cost from 7 September 2013 to date? | Written QoN |
| 37 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Media Subscriptions | a) What publications does your department/agency purchase? Please provide a list of publications purchased by the department and the reason for each. b) What is the cost from 7 September 2013 to date? c) What is provided to the Minister or their office? d) What is the cost from 7 September 2013 to date? | Written QoN |
| 38 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Media Monitoring | a) What is the total cost of media monitoring services, including press clippings, electronic media transcripts etcetera, provided to the Minister's office from 7 September 2013 to date? Which agency or agencies provided these services? b) What is the estimated budget to provide these services for the year 2012-13? c) What has been spent providing these services from 7 September 2013 to date? | Written QoN |
| 39 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Media Monitoring | a) What was the total cost of media monitoring services, including press clippings, electronic media transcripts etcetera, provided to the department/agency from 7 September 2013 to date? Which agency or agencies provided these services? b) What is the estimated budget to provide these services for the year 2012-13? c) What has been spent providing these services from 7 September 2013 to date? | Written QoN |
| 40 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Media Training | In relation to media training services purchased by each department/agency, please provide the following information from 7 September 2013 to date: a) Total spending on these services b) The number of employees offered these services and their employment classification c) The number of employees who have utilised these services, their employment classification and how much study leave each employee was granted (provide a breakdown for each employment classification) d) The names of all service providers engaged | Written QoN |
| 41 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Media Training | For each service purchased from a provider listed under (4), please provide: a) The name and nature of the service purchased b) Whether the service is one-on-one or group based c) The number of employees who received the service and their employment classification (provide a breakdown for each employment classification) d) The total number of hours involved for all employees (provide a breakdown for each employment classification) e) The total amount spent on the service f) A description of the fees charged (i.e. per hour, complete package) | Written QoN |
| 42 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Media Training | Where a service was provided at any location other than the department or agency's own premises, please provide: a) The location used b) The number of employees who took part on each occasion c) The total number of hours involved for all employees who took part (provide a breakdown for each employment classification) d) Any costs the department or agency's incurred to use the location | Written QoN |
| 43 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Communications Staff | For all departments and agencies, please provide - in relation to all public relations, communications and media staff - the following: By Department or: a) How many ongoing staff, the classification, the type of work they undertake and their location. b) How many non ongoing staff, their classification, type of work they undertake and their location c) How many contractors, their classification, type of work they undertake and their location d) How many are graphic designers? e) How many are media managers? f) How many organise events? | Written QoN |
| 44 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Communications Staff | Do any departments/agencies have independent media studios? If yes, why? When was it established? What is the set up cost? What is the ongoing cost? How many staff work there and what are their classifications? | Written QoN |
| 45 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Provision of Equipment | a) For departments/agencies that provide mobile phones to Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices, what type of mobile phone is provided and the costs? b) For departments/agencies that provide electronic equipment to Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices, what are the ongoing costs from 7 September 2013 to date? c) Is electronic equipment (such as ipad, laptop, wireless card, vasco token, blackberry, mobile phone (list type if relevant), thumb drive) provided to department/agency staff? If yes provide details of what is provided, the purchase cost, the ongoing cost and a breakdown of what staff and staff classification receives it. d) Does the department/agency provide their Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices with any electronic equipment? If yes, provide details of what is provided, the cost and to who it is provided. | Written QoN |

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| 46 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Travel Costs | a) For the financial year to date, please detail all travel for Departmental officers that accompanied the Minister and/or Parliamentary Secretary on their travel. Please include a total cost plus a breakdown that include airfares (and type of airfare), accommodation, meals and other travel expenses (such as incidentals). b) For the financial year to date, please detail all travel for Departmental officers. Please include a total cost plus a breakdown that include airfares (and type of airfare), accommodation, meals and other travel expenses (such as incidentals). Also provide a reason and brief explanation for the travel. c) What travel is planned for the rest of from 7 September 2013? Also provide a reason and brief explanation for the travel. d) What travel is planned for the rest of this calendar year? Also provide a reason and brief explanation for the travel. e) What is the policy for business class airfare tickets? f) Are lounge memberships provided to any employees? If yes, what lounge memberships, to how many employees and their classification, the reason for the provision of lounge membership and the total costs of the lounge memberships. g) When SES employees travel, do any support or administrative staff (such as an Executive Assistant) travel with them? If yes, provide details of why such a staff member is needed and the costs of the support staff travel. h) Does the department/agency elect to offset emissions for employees work related travel? If yes, what is the cost? | Written QoN |
| 47 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Grants | a) Could the department/agency provide an update list of all grants, including ad hoc and one-off grants from 7 September 2013 to date? Please provide details of the recipients, the amount, the intended use of the grants and what locations have benefited from the grants. b) Have all grant agreement details been published on its website c) Please list all grants that were approved prior to 7 September 2013, but did not have financial contracts in place on 7 September 2013. Please provide details of the recipients, the amount, the intended use of the grants and what locations have benefited from the grants. Please lists which grant applicants had been contacted advising of their success. Please provide the current status of these grants. Have any of these grants been cancelled, paused, discontinued or cut? | Written QoN |
| 48 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Government Payments of Accounts | a) From 7 September 2013 to date, has the department/agency paid its accounts to contractors/consultants etc in accordance with Government policy in terms of time for payment (i.e.within 30 days)? b) If not, why not? Provide details, including what has been the timeframe for payment of accounts? Please provide a breakdown, average statistics etc as appropriate to give insight into how this issue is being approached) c) For accounts not paid within 30 days, is interest being paid on overdue amounts and if so how much has been paid by the portfolio/department agency for the current financial year and the previous financial year? d) Where interest is being paid, what rate of interest is being paid and how is this rate determined? | Written QoN |
| 49 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Consultancies | a) How many consultancies have been undertaken from 7 September 2013 to date? Identify the name of the consultant, the subject matter of the consultancy, the duration and cost of the arrangement, and the method of procurement (ie. open tender, direct source, etc). Also include total value for all consultancies. b) How many consultancies are planned for this calendar year? Have these been published in your Annual Procurement Plan (APP) on the AusTender website and if not why not? In each case please identify the subject matter, duration, cost and method of procurement as above, and the name of the consultant if known. | Written QoN |
| 50 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Meeting Costs | a) What is the Department/Agency's meeting spend from 7 September 2013 to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events, including any catering and drinks costs. b) For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total meeting spend from 7 September 2013 to date. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event including any catering and drinks costs. c) What meeting spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs. d) For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what meeting spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event including any catering and drinks costs. | Written QoN |

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| 51 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Hospitality and Entertainment | a) What is the Department/Agency's hospitality spend for this all events including any catering and drinks costs. b) For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total hospitality spend from 7 September 2013 to date. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs. c) What is the Department/Agency's entertainment spend from 7 September 2013 to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs. d) For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total entertainment spend from 7 September 2013 to date. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs. e) What hospitality spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs. f) For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what hospitality spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs. g) What entertainment spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs. h) For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what entertainment spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs. i) Is the Department/Agency planning on reducing any of its spending on these items? If so, how will reductions be achieved and what are they. | Written QoN |
| 52 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Public Service Efficiencies | a) Has there been a reduction in business flights? What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates? b) Has there been a reduction in the use of external consultants and contractors? Has this impacted on the Department/agency, and how? What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates? c) Provide an update of moving recruitment advertising online. Is any recruitment still in printed materials, and if yes, why? What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates? d) Has the department/agency reduced its printing costs? If no, why not? Have printing costs increased, and if yes why and how much? e) Has the five per cent savings target been achieved - if yes, how, or if it will not, why not? What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates? | Written QoN |
| 53 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Ministerial Office Security Classifications | What is the policy for ministerial staff security clearances? | Written QoN |
| 54 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Ministerial Office Security Classifications | a) How many staffers employed by the government under the MOPS Act have security clearances? b) At what level? c) If not, why not? | Written QoN |
| 55 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Ministerial Office Security Classifications | a) How many seconded departmental officers acting in ministerial offices, including DLOs have security clearances? b) At what level? c) If not, why not | Written QoN |
| 56 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Executive Coaching and Leadership Training | In relation to executive coaching and/or other leadership training services purchased by each department/agency, please provide the following information from 7 September 2013 to date: 1. Total spending on these services 2. The number of employees offered these services and their employment classification 3. The number of employees who have utilised these services, their employment classification and how much study leave each employee was granted (provide a breakdown for each employment classification) 4. The names of all service providers engaged For each service purchased form a provider listed under (4), please provide: a) The name and nature of the service purchased b) Whether the service is one-on-one or group based c) The number of employees who received the service and their employment classification d) The total number of hours involved for all employees (provide a breakdown for each employment classification) e) The total amount spent on the service f) A description of the fees charged (i.e. per hour, complete package) 5. Where a service was provided at any location other than the department or agency's own premises, please provide: a) The location used b) The number of employees who took part on each occasion (provide a breakdown for each employment classification) c) The total number of hours involved for all employees who took part (provide a breakdown for each employment classification) d) Any costs the department or agency's incurred to use the location | Written QoN |
| 57 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Staffing Reductions | a) How many staff reductions/voluntary redundancies have occurred from 7 September 2013 to date? What was the reason for these reductions? b) Were any of these reductions involuntary redundancies? If yes, provide details. c) Are there any plans for further staff reductions/voluntary redundancies? If so, please advise details including if there is a reduction target, how this will be achieved, and if any services/programs will be cut. d) If there are plans for staff reductions, please give the reason why these are happening. e) Are there any plans for involuntary redundancies? If yes, provide details. | Written QoN |
| 58 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Staffing Cessations | a) How many ongoing staff left the department/agency from 7 September 2013 to date? What classification were these staff? b) How many non-ongoing positions exist or have been created from 7 September 2013 to date? What classification are these staff? | Written QoN |

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| 59 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Staffing Recruitment | a) How many ongoing staff recruited from 7 September 2013 to date? What classification are these staff? b) How many non-ongoing positions exist or have been created from 7 September 2013 to date? What classification are these staff? c) From 7 September 2013 to date, how many employees have been employed on contract and what is the average length of their employment period? | Written QoN |
| 60 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Coffee Machines | Has the department/agency purchased coffee machines for staff useage since 7 September 2013? a) If yes, provide a list that includes the type of coffee machine, the cost, the amount, and any ongoing costs such as purchase of coffee or coffee pods and when the machine was purchased? b) Why were coffee machines purchased? c) Has there been a noticeable difference in staff productivity since coffee machines were purchased? Are staff leaving the office premises less during business hours as a result? d) Where did the funding for the coffee machines come from? e) Who has access? f) Who is responsible for the maintenance of the coffee machines? How much was spent on maintenance in from 7 September 2013 to date, include a list of what maintenance has been undertaken. Where does the funding for maintenance come from? g) What are the ongoing costs of the coffee machine, such as the cost of coffee? | Written QoN |
| 61 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Coffee Machines | Does the department/agency rent coffee machines for staff useage? a) If yes, provide a list that includes the type of coffee machine, the cost, the amount, and any ongoing costs such as purchase of coffee or coffee pods and when the machine was purchased. b) Why are coffee machines rented? c) Has there been a noticeable difference in staff productivity since coffee machines were rented? Are staff leaving the office premises less during business hours as a result? d) Where does the funding for the coffee machines come from? e) Who has access? f) Who is responsible for the maintenance of the coffee machines? How much was spent on maintenance in from 7 September 2013 to date, include a list of what maintenance has been undertaken. Where does the funding for maintenance come from? g) What are the ongoing costs of the coffee machine, such as the cost of coffee? | Written QoN |
| 62 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Printing | How many documents (include the amount of copies) have been printed from 7 September 2013 to date? How many of these printed documents were also published online? | Written QoN |
| 63 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Corporate Cars | a) How cars are owned by each department/agency? b) Where is the car/s located? c) What is the car/s used for? d) What is the cost of each car from 7 September 2013 to date? e) How far did each car travel from 7 September 2013 to date? | Written QoN |
| 64 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Taxi Costs | a) How much did each department/agency spend on taxis from 7 September 2013 to date? Provide a breakdown for each business group in each department/agency. b) What are the reasons for taxi costs? | Written QoN |
| 65 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Hire Cars | a) How much did each department/agency spend on hire cars from 7 September 2013 to date? Provide a breakdown of each business group in each department/agency. b) What are the reasons for hire car costs? | Written QoN |
| 66 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Credit Cards | Provide a breakdown for each employment classification that has a corporate credit card. | Written QoN |
| 67 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Credit Card | Please update details of the following? a) What action is taken if the corporate credit card is misused? b) How is corporate credit card use monitored? c) What happens if misuse of a corporate credit card is discovered? d) Have any instances of corporate credit card misuse have been discovered? List staff classification and what the misuse was, and the action taken. e) What action is taken to prevent corporate credit card misuse? | Written QoN |
| 68 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Electricity Purchasing | a) What are the details of the department/agency electricity purchasing agreement? b) What are the department/agency electricity costs from 7 September 2013 to date? | Written QoN |
| 69 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Ministerial Briefings | a) Does the department provide a regular briefing to the Minister on the activities of the department and/or any upcoming issues and/or any upcoming matters to come before the Minister? b) In what form does that occur? c) On what basis it that provided? d) What title is this briefing given? | Written QoN |
| 70 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Departmental Senate Estimates Briefing | a) How many officers were responsible for preparing the Minister's briefing pack for the purposes of senate estimates? b) How many officer hours were spent on preparing that information? c) Please break down the hours by officer APS classification d) Were drafts shown to the Minister or their office before senate estimates? e) If so, when did this occur? f) How many versions of this information were shown to the minister or their office? g) Did the minister or their office make any contributions, edits or suggestions for departmental changes to this information? h) If so, when did this occur? i) What officer hours were spent on making these edits? Please break down the hours by officer APS classification. j) When were the changes made? | Written QoN |
| 71 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Freedom of Information | a) Can the department please outline the process it under goes to access Freedom of Information requests? b) Does the department consult or inform the Minister when it receives Freedom of Information requests? i) If so, when? ii) If so, how does this occur? | Written QoN |
| 72 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Freedom of Information | Does the department consult or inform other departments or agencies when it receives Freedom of Information requests? a) If so, which departments or agencies? b) If so, when? c) If so, how does this occur? | Written QoN |

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| 73 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Freedom of Information | Does the department consult or inform the Minister when or before it makes a decision on a Freedom of Information request? a)If so, when? b)If so, how does this occur? | Written QoN |
| 74 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Freedom of Information | Does the department consult or inform other departments or agencies when or before it makes a decision on a Freedom of Information request? a)If so, which departments or agencies? b)If so, when? c) If so, how does this occur? | Written QoN |
| 75 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Freedom on Information | a)What resources does the department commit to its Freedom of Information team? b)List the staffing resources by APS level assigned solely to Freedom of Information requests c) List the staffing resources by APS level assigned indirectly to Freedom of Information requests d)Does the department ever second addition resources to processing Freedom of Information requests e)If so, please detail those resources by APS level | Written QoN |
| 76 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Freedom of Information | a) How many officers are currently designated decision makers under the Freedom of Information Act 1982 within the department? b) How does this differ to the number of officers designated as at 6 September 2013? | Written QoN |
| 77 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Freedom of Information | a) How many officers are currently designated decision makers under the Freedom of Information Act 1982 within the Minister's office? b) How does this differ to the number of officers designated as at 6 September 2013? | Written QoN |
| 78 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Freedom of Information | Of the officers that are designated decision makers under the Freedom of Information Act 1982 within the Ministers office, how many are seconded officers from the department? | Written QoN |
| 79 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Freedom of Information | What training does the department provide to designated decision makers under the Freedom of Information Act who work within the department? a)Of the officers designated as decision makers within the department, how many have received formal training? b)Of the officers designated as decision makers within the department, how many have received informal training? c)How long after each officers appointment as a designated decision maker did they receive formal training? d)What did the training involve? e)How long was the training? f) By whom was the training conducted? | Written QoN |
| 80 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Freedom of Information | What training does the department provide to designated decision makers under the Freedom of Information Act who work within the Minister's office, excluding those officers on secondment from the department? a)Of the officers designated as decision makers, how many have received formal training? b)Of the officers designated as decision makers, how many have received informal training? c)How long after each officers appointment as a designated decision maker did they receive formal training? d)What did the training involve? e) How long was the training? f) By whom was the training conducted? | Written QoN |
| 81 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Functions | 1) Provide a list of all formal functions or forms of hospitality conducted for the Minister. Include: a) The guest list of each function b) The party or individual who initiated the request for the function c) The menu, program or list of proceedings of the function d) A list of drinks consumed at the function 2)Provide a list of the current wine, beer or other alcoholic beverages in stock or on order in the Minister's office | Written QoN |
| 82 | Whole of Portfolio | Ludwig | ALP | Red tape reduction | a)Please detail what structures, officials, offices, units, taskforce or other processes has the department dedicated to meeting the government's red tape reduction targets? b)What is the progress of that red tape reduction target c)How many officers have been placed in those units and at what level? d) How have they been recruited? e)What process was used for their appointment? f)What is the total cost of this unit? g) Do members of the unit have access to cabinet documents? h)Please list the security classification and date the classification was issued for each officer, broken down by APS or SES level, in the red tape reduction unit or similar body. | Written QoN |
| 83 | 1 | Seselja | LP | Smokescreen Music Festival | What are the metrics available on the performance of the Smokescreen Music Festival? | 53 - 20/11/2013 |
| 84 | 1 | Seselja | LP | Smokescreen Music Festival | What was the breakdown of the elements of funding provided to Mushroom Marketing for the Smokescreen Music Festival? | 54 - 20/11/2013 |
| 85 | 1 | Smith | LP | Staff Support | What is the total value of the funds being used to assist staff with training and support in the current environment? | 56 - 20/11/2013 |
| 86 | 1 | Smith | LP | Staff Support | Could you please provide a comprehensive list of things that the Agency is doing to be supportive? | 56 - 20/11/2013 |
| 87 | 1 | Smith | LP | Agency Role | Is there any literature that draws a direct link between the independence of an agency and better health outcomes? | 57 - 20/11/2013 |
| 88 | 1 | Moore | ALP | Medicare Locals | It may be useful to see the innovative process - 'innovative' is always a difficult word in the public sector - of how Medicare Locals responded to that challenge. It would be very useful to get that focusing on why there was a link with Medicare Locals and how they responded. | 57 - 20/11/2013 |
| 89 | 1 | Peris | ALP | Sporting Communities Program | Before the election and during the election period 51 grants to the sporting communities program were announced. Going through them individually could you please provide the following information: will the grant be proceeding; if so, have the contracts been signed with the recipients of the grants; what is the proposed commencement date; and what is the date of completion. | 73 - 20/11/2013 |

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| 90 | 1 | Moore | ALP | Personal Leave | What are the current personal leave levels in FSANZ | 49 - 20/11/2013 |
| 91 | Whole of Portfolio | McLucas | ALP | Ministerial Office Staffing | a) How many departmental staff are currently working in the offices of both Minister Nash and Minister Dutton? b) How many staff are on 'loan' to the ministerial offices? c) How many staff have come through MOP(S)? d) Are there any graduates working in the ministerial offices? | 112 - 20/11/2013 |
| 92 | 13 | Boyce | LP | Prevention, Early Detection and Service Improvement | National elective surgery waiting times are currently only measured from the time a patient is referred for surgery - it does not include the time patients spend waiting for their initial appointment with a doctor. This is the 'waiting list for the waiting list'. What plans are there to measure and report on this factor? | Written QoN |
| 93 | 6 | Boyce | LP | Retention of Medical Practitioners in Rural and Regional Australia | What further incentives are being developed to attract and retain medical practitioners in rural and regional Australia? | Written QoN |
| 94 | 6 | Boyce | LP | National Advanced Rural Generalist Training Pathway | What progress is being made on the development of a National Advanced Rural Generalist Training pathway? | Written QoN |
| 95 | 12 | Boyce | LP | Remote Vocational Training Scheme | Will additional places be added to the Remote Vocational Training Scheme and if so over what timeframe? | Written QoN |
| 96 | 12 | Boyce | LP | Retention of Medical Practitioners in Rural and Regional Australia | What plans are in place to provide additional support and training for the large numbers of overseas trained doctors who are currently working in rural and regional areas? | Written QoN |
| 97 | 10 | Boyce | LP | eHealth | a) The marketing of the PCeHR was lavish with the Department promoting it in Bunnings, at fun runs, trade shows, hospital beds and shopping centres. How does the Department explain the marketing when there was little or no uptake by clinicians? b) How did the Department measure the success, or otherwise, of this marketing? | Written QoN |
| 98 | 11 | Boyce | LP | Mental Health Treatment | In November 2011, cuts were made to the GP Mental Health Plan Medicare rebates. How have these cuts affected patient's access to mental health treatment and have poorer outcomes been reported or observed? | Written QoN |
| 99 | 11 | Boyce | LP | Mental Health Treatment | Can the Department outline any plans to reduce red tape to create more pathways for small communities to receive the support of mental health social workers that they need? | Written QoN |
| 102 | 1 | Moore | ALP | Current staffing levels and a comparison with the end of financial year June 2013 | [Over the past year, since 2012, we have had a number of voluntary redundancies] Can we get on notice the cost of those redundancies? | 61 - 20/11/2013 |
| 103 | 1 | Moore | ALP | Cancer Australia Parliamentary Breakfasts For Ovarian Cancer | It is just that those parliamentary experiences [specific events at Parliament House to raise awareness and to give information to people within the parliament] are particularly valuable for raising awareness with parliamentarians, and I want to put on the record in this forum that it is something that we find very useful. Is it possible to find out what the cost of the previous breakfast functions we have had was? | 60 - 20/11/2013 |
| 104 | 12 | Moore | ALP | Health Workforce Australia | Can you give us a list of the uncommitted funds that are under consideration at the moment? | 104 - 20/11/2013 |
| 105 | 12 | Boyce | LP | Health Workforce Australia | a) What is the total cost of international travel by employees of Health Workforce Australia for each year since you were established? b) How much of this was business travel, what were the accommodation costs associated with the travel and, if a travel allowance was paid, what was the travel allowance. | 105 - 20/11/2013 |
| 106 | 12 | Boyce | LP | Health Workforce Australia | Can you provide a breakdown of domestic travel by employees of Health Workforce Australia for each year since establishment for business travel, accommodation costs and travel allowance. | 105 - 20/11/2013 |
| 107 | 14 | McLucas | ALP | Interdepartmental Committees | What interdepartmental committees does OHP serve on? | 126 - 20/11/2013 |
| 108 | 14 | McLucas | ALP | Tuberculosis | Do you know whether the three people still in treatment of tuberculosis are able to be treated in any of the treaty villages and do not have to live at Daru while they are being treated? | 128 - 20/11/2013 |
| 109 | 14 | McLucas | ALP | WHO Report - PNG | Publish and provide early 2013 WHO Report that is commissioned by the PNG Government. | 129 - 20/11/2013 |
| 110 | 14 | Boyce | LP | HIC | Send link of the HIC communiqué. | 130 - 20/11/2013 |
| 111 | 1 | Boyce | LP | Vaccination levels | When will we get the next batch of figures on the levels of vaccination in local communities? | 131 - 20/11/2013 |
| 112 | Whole of Portfolio | Moore | ALP | Shared IT platforms across Health and DSS | Can we get a list from you of which areas of grant management within Health and Ageing that are now under the FOFMS system? | 10 - 20/11/2013 |
| 113 | 11 | Wright | AG | Tobacco and Mental Illness Initiative | 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? | Written QoN |
| 114 | 11 | Wright | AG | Tobacco and Mental Illness Initiative | What will the Department do, in order to assist people with severe mental illness to quit smoking, given that they are up to five times more likely than the general population to smoke? | Written QoN |

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| 115 | 11 | Wright | AG | National Mental Health Commission's Review of Mental Health Services | a) Are there terms of reference for the National Mental Health Commission's review of mental health services, which the government announced in August 2013? b) If so, what are the terms of reference? c) When will they be publicly available? | Written QoN |
| 116 | 11 | Wright | AG | National Mental Health Commission's Review of Mental Health Services | What will the review's engagement schedule be like, in terms of how it interacts with the mental health sector? | Written QoN |
| 117 | 11 | Wright | AG | National Mental Health Commission's Review of Mental Health Services | Will there be a request for formal submissions, or a formal consultation process? | Written QoN |
| 118 | 11 | Wright | AG | National Mental Health Commission's Review of Mental Health Services | Does the Commission have a view about which, if any, mental health programs are over-funded, at this stage? | Written QoN |
| 119 | 11 | Wright | AG | National Mental Health Commission's Review of Mental Health Services | What is the scope of the review? Will it include services run by state governments, and services relevant to people with a mental illness but which extend beyond health, like employment support, housing and supported accommodation? | Written QoN |
| 120 | 11 | Wright | AG | National Mental Health Commission's Review of Mental Health Services | Does the Commission believe that it is the appropriate body to conduct this review - particularly given it has been integrated with the Department? | Written QoN |
| 121 | 11 | Wright | AG | National Mental Health Commission's Review of Mental Health Services | More generally than the review, what measures are in place to ensure the independence of the Commission - given that it has been integrated with the Department of Health and reports to the same Minister? | Written QoN |
| 122 | 11 | Siewert | AG | WA Crisis Help | Lifeline have experienced a significant increase in the number of calls and online contacts over the past twelve months, according to Lifeline WA's annual report. Has the Department received any information that indicates higher pressure on the mental health services in Western Australians? a) Can you provide data on the suicides in WA in 2012/13 and 2011/12 b) How much funding has been provided to mental health crisis support in WA in this financial year, compared to 2012/13 and 2011/12? | Written QoN |
| 123 | 13 | Polley | ALP | Palliative Care in Tasmania | There was quite a bit of money injected into palliative care in Tasmania. Can you give us an update as to how that program is running? | 28 - 20/11/2013 |
| 124 | 3 | DiNatale | AG | Child Dental Benefits Schedule | There are some new item numbers that are not consistent with the schedule of dental services - for example, fissure and/or tooth surface sealing per tooth - and the limitations that you mentioned earlier that have been informed by what the department believes is appropriate practice. But that is different to how dental practitioners currently bill. | 82 - 20/11/2013 |
| 125 | 3 | McLucas | ALP | Child Dental Benefits Schedule | What savings would there be to the budget if the implementation date moved from 1 January to 1 July? | 84 - 20/11/2013 |
| 126 | 13 | DiNatale | AG | National Partnership on Treating More Public Dental Patients | Can we have a breakdown on how it has been allocated? | 84 - 20/11/2013 |
| 127 | 12 | Moore | ALP | Medical Interns | a) What is the current status of internships? b) When do the resources required to fulfil the commitment come online? | 104 - 20/11/2013 |
| 128 | 12 | Moore | ALP | Nursing and Allied Health Scholarships | a) Do you know when the extra 500 scholarships will be awarded? b) Is the expectation that those scholarships will come on line straightaway or build up over future years? | 106 - 20/11/2013 |
| 129 | 12 | Moore | ALP | Nursing and Allied Health Scholarships | What types of scholarships are available to the various allied health professions, including nursing, that are already in the budget? | 106 - 20/11/2013 |
| 130 | 5 | Boyce | LP | Redcliffe GP Super Clinic | Something that you could perhaps give me on notice is how the tranches of money that were put into that [Redcliffe GP Super] clinic were spent. It was not anticipated initially that it was going to cost \$13.2 million, was it? That was not the first amount of funding that was provided. If you could give me the stages of funding, that would be good. | 69 - 20/11/2013 |
| 131 | 5 | McLucas | ALP | Primary Care Infrastructure Grants | a) Can I get an indication of how many grants were made under the previous government's Primary Care Infrastructure Grants program? b) How much funding was committed? c) How many GP practices were funded under that program? d) The tricky one that you may not be able to help me with is: how many unsuccessful applications were there for that program? | 72 - 20/11/2013 |
| 132 | 5 | McLucas | ALP | National Rural and Remote Health Infrastructure Program | a) How many grants were made under the previous government's Rural and Remote Health Infrastructure grants program? b) How many GP practices received funding? c) How much funding was committed? | 72 - 20/11/2013 |
| 133 | 5 | Moore | ALP | National Rural and Remote Health Infrastructure Program | Can we get a list of the kinds of projects [under National Rural and Remote Health Infrastructure Program]? List of some of the things that have been funded under this one in particular. That would be good, and also the total cost of those. | 126 - 20/11/2013 |

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| 134 | 5 | McLucas | ALP | Medicare Local Review | Will the [Medicare Local] review's findings be made public? | 64 - 20/11/2013 |
| 135 | 5 | Moore | ALP | Medicare Locals | Do you have any evidence of states contracting to Medicare Locals? | 66 - 20/11/2013 |
| 136 | 5 | Moore | ALP | Medicare Local Reporting Format | The reporting format: is there a standard reporting format, and can we see it? | 66 - 20/11/2013 |
| 137 | 6 | McLucas | ALP | Rural and Regional Teaching Infrastructure Grants | Of the \$52.5 million, how much would be allocated annually [for Rural and Regional Teaching Infrastructure Grants]? Is it going to be divided by four? | 72 - 20/11/2013 |
| 138 | 6 | McLucas | ALP | Rural and Regional Teaching Infrastructure Grants | The figure \$52.5 million [for Rural and Regional Teaching Infrastructure Grants Initiatives] would have been arrived at by doing something about how much you need to support this number of practices to do this type of capital work. How did \$52.5 million get arrived at? | 73 - 20/11/2013 |
| 139 | 1 | Polley | ALP | Responsibility for Dementia Policy | At several stages during the hearings (in particular see page 25 of the Wednesday 20 November transcript) there appeared to be some confusion over (i) where dementia policy should be handled on the committee program (i.e. under which outcome); and (ii) which area of the Health portfolio or Social Services portfolio would have primary responsibility for this area. Please provide a clear breakdown as to which programs have been moved from the previous Department of Health and Ageing to the Department of Social Services. | Written QoN |
| 140 | 1 | Polley | ALP | Coalition Promises on Dementia | Page seven of the Coalition policy document The Coalition's Policy For Healthy Life, Better Ageing provides: 'Dementia is one of the leading reasons older Australians seek residential care. The Coalition will provide \$200 million over five years to Australian scientists and researchers working on how to prevent or cure dementia.' The National Health and Medical Research Centre (NHMRC) continue to commit substantial funds to dementia related research in this financial year. Is the \$200 million dementia initiative announced by the Coalition during the election campaign additional new money or already included in the NHMRC forward estimates? | Written QoN |
| 141 | 1 | Polley | ALP | Dementia Advisory Group | In regards to the measures that are part of the dementia package - a \$268 million package over five years - which includes more support for timely diagnosis of dementia in primary care and expansion of the scope of dementia behaviour management advisory services. Please provide an update on the implementation of these important measures? How are you working with the Dementia Advisory Group? Is the Coalition Government committed to this plan? Transferred to DSS 14/01/2014 | Written QoN |
| 142 | 1 | Polley | ALP | Palliative Care Programs | There are a number of programs funded by the Commonwealth under the National Palliative Care Program. These include the core funding for Palliative Care Australia, the National Standards Assessment Program (NSAP), CareSearch, Palliative Care Outcomes Collaborative (PCOC), Palliative Care Curriculum for Undergraduates (PCC4U), and Program of Experience in a Palliative Approach (PEPA). The contracts (mostly three years) for all of these major programs expire on June 30, 2014. PCOC's 3 year contract expired on 30 June, 2013, and instead of negotiating a further three years, the Department negotiated a single year contract only, bringing that program into the same timing as the others. It would be greatly appreciated by the palliative care community, and ultimately by the Australian community, to have reassurance that appropriate levels of increased funding have been budgeted and planned to accommodate the increasing demands upon these programs. Is the Coalition committed to these programs? [If yes] How does it intend to accommodate the necessary bulge in the budget from July 2014? [If no] What other progress or measure are being implemented to tackling palliative care issues? What areas of palliative care will the Minister for Health, the Minister for Social Services, the Assistant Minister for Social Services and the Parliamentary Secretary for Social Services be responsible for? | Written QoN |
| 143 | 10 | Polley | ALP | NBN and Dementia | People living in rural, regional or remote communities often suffer from a lack of access to medical specialists to assist in making a diagnosis of dementia. This is bad news because an early diagnosis is crucial to treating dementia effectively. However, one area where we can really hope for improvement is in innovative approaches to dementia care, such as telehealth initiatives. Of course telehealth can only really benefit those who have connection to reliable, fast broadband that is available, for example, under Fibre-To-The-Premises (FTTP) broadband. Could you perhaps go into some detail concerning the benefits of telehealth and how this may benefit dementia diagnosis and treatment as well as aged care treatment more generally? Is this now threatened because of the Coalition's National Broadband Network model which means that not all premises will receive FTTP? Could you provide an update on assistant technology programs which are currently being funded? Could you also please provide an update on the Broadband for Seniors kiosks program? | Written QoN |
| 144 | Whole of Portfolio | McLucas | ALP | Staffing | How many staff have moved from the Department as a result of the machinery of government changes? How many remain in the Department of Health? | Written QoN |

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| 145 | Whole of Portfolio | McLucas | ALP | Staffing | At the time of tabling, how many staff are part of the Business Services Centre? Of these how many are working in the Centre and how many are working on projects in other parts of the Department? How many of these staff are in Canberra and where are other staff located other than in central office? | Written QoN |
| 146 | Whole of Portfolio | McLucas | ALP | Staffing | How many graduates will the Department employ in 2014? How does this figure compare with previous years? Were any graduates offered positions that were subsequently withdrawn due to the reduced size of the program? | Written QoN |
| 147 | Whole of Portfolio | McLucas | ALP | Staffing | At the time of tabling, has there been any reduction in staff numbers in Population Health Division? If so, by how many? | Written QoN |
| 148 | 12 | McLucas | ALP | Frozen Funding for Clinical Placements | Given that funding to universities and to health services for clinical placements for professional entry students is 'under consideration' at the moment, how many placements have been affected by this freeze? | Written QoN |
| 149 | 12 | McLucas | ALP | Regional Medical Schools | In regards to the analysis that the department undertook into the proposal from Charles Sturt and La Trobe for a regional medical school, in terms of the capacity of the clinical training system to support additional places as proposed - What did the analysis show? Is there any capacity in the clinical training system to support additional places? | Written QoN |
| 150 | 10 | McLucas | ALP | Personally Controlled Electronic Health Record | Has the Department undertaken any preparatory work to remove an individual's capacity to choose what information is contained on their personally controlled electronic health record? | Written QoN |
| 151 | 11 | McLucas | ALP | National Mental Health Commission's Budget | What is the National Mental Health Commission's annual budget (2012-13 and 2013-14)? | Written QoN |
| 152 | 11 | McLucas | ALP | Mental Health Review | a) What are the terms of reference for the review announced by the Health Minister on 10 October 2013? b) What resources or funding, if any, will be provided to the Commission to undertake the review? c) When is the review due to be completed? d) When is the National Mental Health Commission due to report the findings of the review to the Minister? | Written QoN |
| 153 | 11 | McLucas | ALP | Election commitment - Headspace | a) Does the government's election commitment to continue the roll-out of headspace centres (a further 10) include the eheadspace component? b) What is the timeframe for delivering the 10 further headspace centres? | Written QoN |
| 154 | 11 | McLucas | ALP | Election commitment - Clubhouse in Cairns | The government committed to delivering \$350,000 to the Mental Illness Fellowship of Queensland NQ Inc. Is this capital or operational funding? Can you provide a breakdown? When will the funds be provided, ie which financial year? | Written QoN |
| 155 | 11 | McLucas | ALP | Mental Health Nurse Incentive Program | Following the evaluation of the program that was published in 2012, what improvements have been, or will be, implemented? | Written QoN |
| 156 | 11 | McLucas | ALP | Existing Mental Health Programs | Can you please provide the amount allocated in the budget (including over the forward estimates) for the programs listed in the attached table? | Written QoN |
| 157 | 2 | McLucas | ALP | Chemotherapy Drugs Review | What is the current status of the Chemotherapy Drugs Review? | Written QoN |
| 158 | 1 | McLucas | ALP | Restructure | Has FSANZ undertaken any consideration of restructuring the organisation or received instructions to reduce its overall size? By year, how many staff does FSANZ expect to reduce by over the next three financial years? | Written QoN |
| 159 | 1 | McLucas | ALP | Front of Pack Labelling | What technical advice was FSANZ asked to provide on the outstanding elements of the 'star rating' front-of-pack labelling system? When was this advice provided? Has FSANZ received any follow up requests for advice on this system or have the technical considerations reached their conclusion? | Written QoN |
| 160 | 1 | McLucas | ALP | Front of Pack Labelling | Has the Department of Health initiated any contingency planning in relation to the impact on the capacity to assess the impact of front of pack labelling considering the government's stated intention to reduce the funds and resources available to the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare and the National Health Performance Authority? | Written QoN |
| 161 | 1 | McLucas | ALP | TGA Amendment Bill 2013 | Does the Minister intend on proceeding with the reforms contained in the Therapeutic Goods Amendment Bill 2013? | Written QoN |
| 162 | 1 | McLucas | ALP | TGA Reform Blueprint | What progress has been made towards the 2013/14 Budget Target of implementing 14 recommendations from the TGA Reform Blueprint, and how will the commitment to the target will be met? | Written QoN |
| 163 | 1 | McLucas | ALP | TGA Regulation | How is the TGA looking to reduce red tape? | Written QoN |
| 164 | Whole of Portfolio | Smith | LP | Corporate Matters | In relation to the new Grants Services Division, please provide: a) a list of preventative health grants which will be administered by the new division; and b) details on the process for considering eligibility and approvals process for DoH grants. | Written QoN |
| 165 | Whole of Portfolio | Smith | LP | Corporate Matters | Is funding to other statutory authorities / government agencies subject to reporting under Senate Order 192? a) Is this funding delivered for a specific purpose or designated preventative health research project? b) Please provide the detail of programs and funding delivered to other government agencies over the last six years not reported in the Murray Motions Reports. | Written QoN |
| 166 | 1 | Smith | LP | Australian National Preventative Health Agency | With regard to the granting of preventative health care funding through the ANPHA, please provide details of the following: a) Grants submission applications b) Criteria for approval c) Approvals process d) The number of applications received each financial year with a breakdown by grants programs and applications approved over the last 6 years. | Written QoN |

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| 167 | 1 | Smith | LP | National Partnership Agreement on Preventative Health | The National Partnership Agreement on Preventative Health provided funds to the States and Territories for Preventive Health. Over the years of the Agreement please provide a breakdown, by states and territories, of : a) Funding for preventative health b) Details of programs / project funded - research or social marketing c) Whether evaluation reports have been received by the Commonwealth for each program/project In relation to the National Evaluation Framework and Strategy which was undertaken by ARTD Consultants : d) The report notes that accountability for program delivery was not a component of this evaluation, as other processes are in place for this. Can the ANPHA detail what these other processes are? e) What initiatives and evaluations are not included in this strategy? f) What programs / initiatives are currently being funded by each state / territory under the "Healthy Workers" Program? | Written QoN |
| 168 | 1 | Smith | LP | Alcohol and Other Drugs Council of Australia | In a Sydney Morning Herald article entitled "Alcohol and Other Drugs Council of Australia in Administration after Tony Abbott Cuts" on 27th November - a spokesman for the Assistant Minister for Health, Senator the Hon Fiona Nash was quoted as saying : "The Australian government seeks advice on alcohol and drugs policy from wide-ranging sources in the sector and funds a number of national peak body organisations." a) Please provide a list of the 'national peak body organisations' that provide the Australian Government with advice on alcohol and drugs policy? b) What level of funding does each of these organisations receive from the Australian Government over the past 6 years? | Written QoN |
| 169 | 1 | McKenzie | NATS | Front of Package Labelling | a) Can you please provide a list of products assessed by the Department's star system for front of package labelling? b) Can you please provide details of how these products ranked under system, in order from highest to lowest ranking. | Written QoN |
| 170 | 1 | McKenzie | NATS | Front of Package Labelling | a) Response was given by Professor Halton during estimates that the star system was voluntary, subject to there being consistent and widespread uptake of the system. Can you please define "consistent and widespread uptake" and what percentage of industry that would need to adopt the system for it to remain voluntary? b) If the system is voluntary, what is the purpose of the scheme if there is no research to suggest that the system influences or changes behaviour? c) In the event that the new system is not adopted by industry and triggers a mandatory approach, what is the scheduled timeframe for it to take effect? | Written QoN |
| 171 | 1 | McKenzie | NATS | Front of Package Labelling | a) Outside of the committees involved in developing the star system, what communication has the Department had with industry or representative bodies informing them of the new star system? b) What advice has been given to industry in relation to the star system labelling requirements and timeframes for introduction? | Written QoN |
| 172 | 1 | McKenzie | NATS | Front of Package Labelling | Can you provide an indication of the Department's list of stakeholders likely to be impacted by the new labelling system? | Written QoN |
| 173 | 1 | McKenzie | NATS | Front of Package Labelling | What will the Department's approach be if the problem's identified in the system relating to dairy are not rectified at the time of the ministerial meeting in December? | Written QoN |
| 174 | 1 | McKenzie | NATS | Front of Package Labelling | Will the Department delay implementation of the new star system until identified problems such as dairy, are rectified? | Written QoN |
| 175 | 1 | McKenzie | NATS | Front of Package Labelling | What is the current timeline for implementation of the new system? | Written QoN |
| 176 | 1 | McKenzie | NATS | Front of Package Labelling | Professor Halton indicated during estimates that she would provide a copy of the research into a comparison of DIG and the star system. Hansard pg 42 | Written QoN |
| 177 | 1 | McKenzie | NATS | Front of Package Labelling | What does a successful uptake of the front of pack labelling system look like? i.e. What percentage of supermarket products would have to adopt the labelling system for it not to be made mandatory? | Written QoN |
| 178 | 1 | McKenzie | NATS | Front of Package Labelling | If some companies adopt the labelling system in a category (e.g. One brand of bread is labelled, but another is not), will the companies that have not labelled their packaging be forced to do so? | Written QoN |
| 179 | 1 | McKenzie | NATS | Front of Package Labelling | Given the anomalies that the current labelling algorithm is producing, what encouragement would be given to companies to adopt a labelling system that is producing inaccurate and misleading results? | Written QoN |
| 180 | 1 | McKenzie | NATS | Front of Package Labelling | How confident is the government that companies would willingly participate in a system that is proving inaccurate or risky? | Written QoN |
| 181 | 1 | McKenzie | NATS | Front of Package Labelling | Will the algorithm be amended to better represent the nutritional profile of a product? e.g. How would a product be rated that is high in added sugar (due to the tart taste of the base fruit of a fruit drink), but has compensatory health and nutritional benefits? | Written QoN |
| 182 | 1 | McKenzie | NATS | Front of Package Labelling | a) If the system is eventually made mandatory, what is the penalty for companies that don't adopt it? What consultation has been had regarding the trigger for a mandatory code? Who with? When? b) What steps would the government take to ensure that mandating a flawed system would not prompt companies to take legal action or appeal to the AAT or other such bodies? | Written QoN |
| 183 | 1 | McKenzie | NATS | Front of Package Labelling | One of the scheme development objectives was to ensure it was consistent with the Australian Dietary Guidelines. The revisions of the algorithm for dairy aimed to ensure that `core2` foods, as recognised by the Australian Dietary Guidelines, are rated 3 stars and above[1]. Has this been achieved? How have you ensured the scheme is consistent with the Australian Dietary Guidelines? | Written QoN |
| 184 | 1 | McKenzie | NATS | Front of Package Labelling | What star rating is suggested as an appropriate outcome for core foods under the Australian Dietary Guidelines? | Written QoN |

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| 185 | 1 | McKenzie | NATS | Front of Package Labelling | It has been stated in answer to a question that the algorithm has been recalibrated to reflect properly the role of dairy and that that work has finished. Can you clarify what outcome is considered to properly reflect dairy and who has signed off on this to warrant it be considered finished? | Written QoN |
| 186 | 1 | McKenzie | NATS | Front of Package Labelling | Currently it is not known if the scheme will in fact change consumer behaviour towards healthier eating patterns. This makes consumer education all the more imperative. a) What is the planned commitment, including funding, for a consumer education campaign that will ensure consumers understand how to use the scheme to make healthier food choices, and for it to be consistent with other healthy eating initiatives, particularly the Australian Dietary Guidelines? b) Over what time period are the Government looking to support consumer education and marketing for FOPL? c) How will the Government measure the effectiveness of this consumer awareness and education activity? | Written QoN |
| 187 | 1 | McKenzie | NATS | Front of Package Labelling | Before any decisions are made to consider making this scheme mandatory it is important to measure how successful the scheme has been in changing consumer behaviour. a) Therefore what research, monitoring and reporting is planned to ensure that the scheme is achieving the intended changes to consumer behaviour? b) Over what timeframe will this review be undertaken? c) What funding has been allocated to support such a review? | Written QoN |
| 188 | 1 | McKenzie | NATS | Front of Package Labelling | There are likely to be significant costs and activities required by manufacturers to successfully implement label changes. A 3 year implementation period from finalisation of the scheme, consistent with other required label changes such as the Health Claims regulation, would be more realistic. a) Is it viable for manufacturers to implement Front of Pack Labelling within 2 years? b) What feedback have you had from industry about the length of implementation? c) What feedback have you had from the dairy industry? | Written QoN |
| 189 | 1 | McKenzie | NATS | Front of Package Labelling | Will the Cost Benefit analysis referred to in estimates be provided to industry before the Forum meets in December? What engagement have you had with the industry in performing this Cost Benefit analysis? What engagement have you had with the dairy industry on this analysis? | Written QoN |
| 190 | 1 | McKenzie | NATS | Front of Package Labelling | The Office of Best Practice Regulation (OBPR) has said the FOPL scheme is non-compliant as it did not prepare a RIS for the consultation or their decision at the Forum. While the scheme is voluntary, there is significant pressure for industry adoption. Will the Forum undertake a RIS before implementation of the scheme? If not, why not? | Written QoN |
| 191 | 1 | McKenzie | NATS | Front of Package Labelling | If we want a scheme that works for industry and results in consumers making healthier food choices, additional time is required to ensure outstanding issues are adequately addressed. Is the Government prepared to support recommending to the Forum that additional time, say of 6 months, be provided to resolve the issues that still exist? | Written QoN |
| 192 | 1 | McKenzie | NATS | Front of Package Labelling | It has also been stated that qualitative and quantitative consumer research has been completed. Did this research provide results on the impact of FOPL on consumer choice about whether to purchase a particular product? In relation to International examples of systems that have been in place long enough to provide some results (eg UK) - was this looked into in the research? | Written QoN |
| 193 | 1 | McKenzie | NATS | Front of Package Labelling | In relation to FOPL, the evidence demonstrating improvements in health outcomes is lacking and evidence to show FOPL can influence purchasing behaviour is conflicting[2]. The reliance on nutrient profiling to classify foods as 'healthy' under the proposed FOPL is inconsistent with evidence regarding food choices and improvements in health outcomes[3],[4]. What consideration has been taken to these research findings in developing the FOPL? | Written QoN |
| 194 | 1 | Rhiannon | AG | Truth In Labelling | a) Is there any discussion or consideration to adopt national for food truth-in-labelling laws to ensure uniform descriptions of production? b) Is there a requirement to label the use of antibiotics in food production? i. If not, what issues and factors would be a barrier to this happening? | Written QoN |
| 195 | 1 | Rhiannon | AG | Zoonotic Diseases in Kangaroo Meat | On Food Standards website http://www.foodstandards.gov.au/publications/Documents/Toxoplasma%20gondii.doc there is a document titled Toxoplasma Gondii. Its Table 1 on page 7 lists 13 fatalities during 1993 in Australia associated with toxoplasmosis (T.gondii), caused by consumption of undercooked kangaroo meat. a) May I please have details of those cases? b) Are there any other recorded cases of T.gondii in Australia caused by human consumption of undercooked kangaroo meat? i. What warnings were and are given to the public by either government or by the industry regarding this potentially fatal health risk? ii. What was the health or mortality outcome of those cases? iii. What is the process for reporting and collating this information, and where can that information be publicly accessed? | Written QoN |
| 196 | 1 | Rhiannon | AG | Zoonotic Diseases in Kangaroo Meat | In previous Senate Estimates I was advised by Dept Agriculture-Food Division that raw kangaroo meat is not tested for food-borne pathogens such as Toxoplasma gondii" or Salmonella spp, both which are zoonitic agents present in kangaroos, because "this is not a requirement of the Australia New Zealand Food Standards Code. Is this still the case? | Written QoN |

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| 197 | 1 | Rhiannon | AG | Zoonotic Diseases in Kangaroo Meat | Is Food Standards aware that the commercial kangaroo industry is heavily promoting kangaroo meat as a gourmet meat, best served undercooked, to the food and cooking industry and to consumers, including in its marketing "Roocipes" recipe book funded by the RIRDC? a) Does this concern Food Standards? b) What is Food Standards' role in ensuring that industry does not risk public health by promoting risky food preparation with regards to kangaroo? c) What is Food Standards' role in ensuring Australian customers are aware of the potentially serious health risks of eating undercooked kangaroo meat? | Written QoN |
| 198 | 1 | Rhiannon | AG | Non-Human Primates in Experiments | a) How many primates are currently being held in each of the government-funded non-human primate breeding facilities? b) For each facility, please provide current information for each species: numbers; ages; sexes; state of health. c) What are the costs to the Commonwealth per facility? d) Please provide the history of births and deaths in these primate facilities including, but not restricted to (please date all information): i. number of births per species and by sex; ii. number of deaths per species and by sex; For each death please provide: species, date, age, sex, attributed cause of death and please provide the documentation associated with the death e) What is the range of causes of death of primates in the facility? f) How many of the primates in the facility are used for research or any related purposes? g) What is the number of research protocols each animal has been subjected to? h) How many of the deaths are as a result (direct or indirectly) of research procedures? For each death please state: i. the history of procedures that the animal underwent? ii. What was the species; age; sex; date of death; attributed cause of death. i) Are any primates being used under licence (or any other method) for research (or any other purpose) by bodies other than Commonwealth agencies, authorities, companies or departments? j) What are the names of those bodies and their locations? k) How many primates are held by each body and at which location? l) Please provide the history of births and deaths while at these facilities including, but not restricted to (please date all information): number of births per species and by sex; number of deaths per species and by sex; for each death please provide: species, date, age, sex, attributed cause of death. m) What is the range of causes of death of primates in the facility? | Written QoN |
| 199 | 1 | Rhiannon | AG | Non-Human Primates in Experiments | a) How many grants have been made that involve using primates? b) Who/what body was the grant given to? c) What was the purpose of the grant? d) What was the dollar value of the grant? e) what is the purpose of the research or activity? f) What were the species, sex and numbers of primates used for each project? g) What projects that involve primates is the NHMRC currently considering funding? For each project please detail: i. Who or what body or organisations? ii. For what amount? iii. What is the stated purpose of the research or activity? iv. What are the numbers and species of primates proposed? h) Please provide names and numbers of relevant people if I need to obtain any further information on the above series of questions. | Written QoN |
| 210 | 11 | Siewert | AG | Older Australians and access to mental health services | The SANE report has demonstrated that some older australians are unable to access mental health services. Are you aware of the report and its recommendations? Are you working on improving the delivery of services for older Australians in the following areas: - GP Training; - Inclusion of older people in mental health surveys; - Use of older people in peer to peer programs; - Raising awareness of mental health needs within aged care sector and mandatory training for aged care staff; - Targeted information for older Australians and their families. | Written QoN |
| 211 | 10 | Boyce | LP | Discharge Summaries | That statistic of 113 discharge summaries for Queensland in the last two days - do we have a clue how many people would have been discharged in Queensland in the past two days? | 97 - 20/11/2013 |
| 212 | 3 | Brown | ALP | MRI | a) How many MRI units are wholly or partially subsidised by Medicare? And can this figure be broken down into regions? b) Is there access to Medicare funded MRI services in every state and territory? c) How many MRI services are eligible for Medicare rebates, whole or partial? | 110 - 20/11/2013 |
| 213 | 3 | Brown | ALP | Bulk Billing | Please provide a breakdown of bulk billing figures who are the beneficiaries in high levels such as children, adults and health care concession holders. | 110 - 20/11/2013 |
| 214 | 1 | Polley | ALP | National Palliative Care Strategy | Provide a map of the structure of palliative care activities within the Department, including funding elements. | 27 - 20/11/2013 |
| 215 | 1 | Polley | ALP | National Palliative Care Strategy | Provide a copy of the 'COMPAC guidelines' - Guidelines for a Palliative Approach for Aged care in the Community Setting. | 28 - 20/11/2013 |
| 216 | 1 | McLucas | ALP | Plain Packaging | Provide an update on the current status of FOI applications from 'big tobacco'. | 32 - 20/11/2013 |
| 217 | 1 | Brown | ALP | Advisory Panel on the Marketing in Australia of Infant Formula | With regards to the Advisory Panel on the Marketing in Australia of Infant Formula, when were their terms supposed to be complete? | 36 - 20/11/2013 |
| 218 | 2 | Moore | ALP | Drugs to be considered by the Cabinet | Over the last 12 months, what were the number of drugs that were approved that were more than \$20 million? | 114 - 20/11/2013 |
| 219 | 2 | Moore | ALP | Post Market Reviews | Can we have all that you just read out in a document (Post Market Reviews status and timelines)? | 116 - 20/11/2013 |

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| 220 | 2 | Peris | ALP | PBS Data | What is the average annual payment or concession provided under the PBS to Territorians, and how it compares to the national average? | 117 - 20/11/2013 |
| 221 | 2 | Moore | ALP | Access to Medicines Working Group | a) Is it the Government's intention to retain the Access to Medicines Working Group? b) Will there be discussions about when it (reports) will come? | 115 - 20/11/2013 |
| 222 | 2 | DiNatale | AG | Post Market Reviews | Have any other reviews been considered that you are aware of? | 116 - 20/11/2013 |
| 223 | 2 | Moore | ALP | Chemotherapy Review | a) Is it possible for that particular report (Review of Chemotherapy Services) to be made public in terms of this process? b) If it is not the intention to take it (funding) from the existing community pharmacy agreement, where is it coming from? | 117 - 20/11/2013 |
| 224 | Whole of Portfolio | Seselja | LP | Regulatory burden | Can you give us an example or two of where you have reduced the regulatory burden in your portfolio? | 14 - 20/11/2013 |
| 225 | 1 | McKenzie | NATS | Front of Pack Labelling | How would a full cream milk rate against another product? Can we compare it against another product? When you say it 'rates lower' I need some sort of comparison. | 39 - 20/11/2013 |
| 226 | 1 | McKenzie | NATS | Front of Pack Labelling | a) Could you provide a bit of a breakdown of the participants of the focus groups? b) Could you also provide the number of people we actually spoke to in the research. I know we went to the qualitative side, but I would appreciate the quantitative side as well. | 41 - 20/11/2013 |
| 227 | 1 | McKenzie | NATS | Front of Pack Labelling | Could you provide some detail-maybe on notice-of the current take-up of the dietary intake guide and labelling system. Have we done any research on that? | 42 - 20/11/2013 |
| 228 | Whole of Portfolio | McLucas | ALP | Organisational Structure Chart | Could the committee be provided with a copy of the organisational structure chart? | 14 - 20/11/2013 |
| 229 | Whole of Portfolio | Moore | ALP | Change Management | a) Can we get a copy of what went out to section leaders to go out to the staff to say 'This is what is happening'? b) Can we actually get something about what the process has been and staff support you are providing? c) Can we get from you specifically what staff have been told in a general sense in the various line areas about what is going on and what the process is? | 19 - 20/11/2013 |
| 230 | Whole of Portfolio | Moore | ALP | Compulsory Redundancies | When was the last time the department had compulsory redundancies? | 20 - 20/11/2013 |
| 231 | Whole of Portfolio | McLucas | ALP | Grants Program | How many people have moved out of the Population Health Division and Primary and Ambulatory Care Division as a result of the centralisation of the grants program? | 20 - 20/11/2013 |
| 232 | Whole of Portfolio | Moore | ALP | Remuneration | Is there a PSC determination that is binding on all departments? Can we get a copy of that on which you are working for the people coming into Health and leaving Health and Ageing? You are welcoming tin the people from the Sports Commission, so you have to work with them. Just for the sake of ease, can we get that from you? | 22 - 20/11/2013 |
| 233 | Whole of Portfolio | McLucas | ALP | Business Service Centre | When those figures (once it is clear), including voluntary redundancies, the numbers of people moving to the business service centre, and retirements, could the committee be provided with that? | 113 - 20/11/2013 |
| 234 | Whole of Portfolio | Boyce | LP | Medicare Communications Campaign | Can you break down the figure by what was spent on print, television and on-line? | 24 - 20/11/2013 |
| 235 | Whole of Portfolio | Moore | ALP | Grants Management - FOFMS | Can we get a list from you of which areas of grant management within Health and Ageing that are now under the FOFMS system? | 10 - 20/11/2013 |
| 236 | Whole of Portfolio | McLucas | ALP | Machinery of Government | Could you provide a list of activities in the Ageing section that have been relocated? I think that is quite clear, but it would be helpful if you could provide it for us. For clarity and understanding, in the Indigenous health area, could you provide us with what bits are left, numbers of staff that are left out of the old OATSIA, what has gone to PM&C and the functions of those that are left. | 14 - 20/11/2013 |
| 237 | Whole of Portfolio | Seselja | LP | Regulations and Reducing Regulatory Burden | a) Are you able to give examples in terms of the number of regulations that been added in the portfolio and any regulations that have been taken away or simplified during that time? b) Can you give us an example or two of where you have reduced the regulatory burden in your portfolio? Please refer to QoN E13-224 | 13 - 20/11/2013 |
| 238 | 11 | Wright | AG | Mental Health | I am interested in how many staff the department employs whose roles relate in any way to mental health. | 87 - 20/11/2013 |
| 239 | 11 | McLucas | ALP | headspace | Is there a table or list (of headspace sites) that we could receive? | 89 - 20/11/2013 |
| 240 | 11 | McLucas | ALP | e-headspace | Can the department provide me with an explanation of the difference between eheadspace and the e-mental platform. I just need clarity about that. | 90 - 20/11/2013 |
| 241 | 13 | Brown | ALP | Organ and Tissue Authority | Please provide the Organ and Tissue Authority staff numbers by section. | 78 - 20/11/2013 |

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| 242 | 11 | Hanson-Young | AG | KidsMatter Early Childhood | The contract for KidsMatter Early Childhood is due to expire at the end of the year, will the government extend this program? Will the program be rolled out Nationally? | Written QoN |
| 243 | 1 | Peris | ALP | Community Sponsorship Fund | We can give you the sporting organisations that we are the commercial sponsor for. I use the word 'commercial' - I cannot give you the breakdown. That is commercial-in-confidence to the national sporting organisations. But the global figure we can certainly give you and we can provide you with all of the details of the community level initiatives - the grants program. A number of those are being done by Indigenous communities - some very nice pieces of work, we think. | 58 - 20/11/2013 |
| 244 | 1 | Smith | LP | Efficiency Dividend | a) Could you detail for me any efficiency dividends that might have been imposed on the Australian Sports Commission over the past two years? b) Secondly, what measures have already been taken in order to meet any efficiency dividend? c) Thirdly, are there any measures planned or being planned to meet any efficiency dividend? d) Finally, could you provide on notice whether the Australian Sports Commission has offered, or is planning to offer, any redundancies in order to meet any efficiency dividend, that is only relevant if you are planning to have redundancies, and any other information of a general nature? | 76 - 20/11/2013 |
| 245 | 1 | Peris | ALP | Winning Edge Program | Is your government committed to continued support of Australia's Winning Edge program? | 75 - 20/11/2013 |
| 246 | 1 | McLucas | ALP | Active After-school Communities Program | Were there any commitments about future funding for the Active After-school Communities Program as part of the election campaign? | 75 - 20/11/2013 |
| 247 | 1 | Polley | ALP | Dementia | You are correct that it was in 2005 that the Howard government committed jointly with all Australian health ministers to develop a national framework for action. Can you outline what your intention is with work in this policy area? As the government now, how are you going to further develop that and what policies do you have in place? | 47 - 20/11/2013 |
| 248 | 1 | Polley | ALP | Early Onset Dementia | We would all be aware that dementia does not just sit with aged care. There are people diagnosed with dementia long before they are considered older Australians. Can you outline what initiatives or programs or research has been undertaken in that area? | 48 - 20/11/2013 |