

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH PORTFOLIO

Supplementary Budget Estimates 2014 - 2015, 22 October 2014

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OUTCOME: 2 - Access to Pharmaceutical Services

Topic: Life Saving Drugs Programme Listings

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Question:

How many life-saving drugs have been listed in the last five years, and at what cost?

Answer:

Drugs listed on the Life Saving Drugs Programme in the last five years (2009-2014)

Began on LSDP	Drug Brand Name	Chemical Name of Drug	Disease	Estimated 5 Year Cost (million)
September 2009	Zavesca	miglustat	Gaucher	Not for public release
February 2010	Myozyme	alglucosidase alfa	Infantile-onset Pompe	\$5.25
January 2011	Soliris	eculizumab	Paroxysmal Nocturnal Haemoglobinuria	\$135.9
August 2012	VPRIV	velaglucerase alfa	Gaucher	-\$25.1 (saving)