Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH PORTFOLIO

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Topic: Reviews

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Senator: Ludwig, Joe

Question:

For any review commenced or ordered since Budget Estimates in June, 2014, have any external people, companies or contractors been engaged to assist or conduct the review? a) If so, please list them, including their name and/or trading name/s and any known alias or other trading names.

b) If so, please list their managing director and the board of directors or equivalent.

- c) If yes, for each, what is the cost associated with their involvement, including a break down for each cost item.
- d) If yes, for each, what is the nature of their involvement.
- e) If yes, for each, are they on the lobbyist register, provide details.
- f) If yes, for each, what contact has the Minister or their office had with them.
- g) If yes, for each, who selected them.
- h) 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 provide 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.

Question	Answer			
For any review commenced or ordered since Budget Estimates in June 2014, have any external people, companies or contractors been engaged to assist or conduct the review?	Yes			
Review	Medicines and Medical Devices Regulation	Tackling Indigenous Smoking Programme	After-Hours Primary Health Care	GP Super Clinics Programme
a) If so, please list them, including their name and/or trading name/s and any known alias or other trading names.	Emeritus Professor Lloyd Sansom AO, Professor John Horvath AO, Mr William Delaat AM	The University of Canberra (UC)	Contractors from Iliad Consulting and Ernst & Young (EY) were engaged for the After-Hours Primary Health Care Review. Professor Claire Jackson (Iliad Consulting) was engaged to lead the review. EY were engaged to conduct case studies for the review.	McGrathNicol Advisory Partnership (McGrathNicol)
b) If so, please list their managing director and the board of directors or equivalent.	Not applicable	Dr T Calma AO, Chancellor and Managing Director, UC: <u>http://www.canberra.edu.au/</u> <u>university/governance/</u> <u>council/membership</u>	Professor Claire Jackson (Iliad Consulting): http://www.health.gov.au/internet/ ministers/publishing.nsf/Content/health- mediarel-yr2014-dutton065.htm Mr Rob McLeod (EY): http://www.ey.com/AU/en/About-us/Our- global-approach/Our-leaders/Oceania- leadership-team	Robyn McKern, CEO, McGrathNicol: <u>http://www.mcgrathnicol.</u> <u>com/people/</u>

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c)	If yes, for each, what is the cost associated with their involvement, including a break down for each cost item?	Panel members are being paid at a rate of \$1,500 per day.	A list of consultancies that undertook the review, along with their cost, is available from the AusTender website at: <u>www.tenders.gov.au</u>	A list of consultancies that undertook the review, along with their cost, is available from the AusTender website at: <u>www.tenders.gov.au</u>	A list of consultancies that undertook the review, along with their cost, is available from the AusTender website at: <u>www.tenders.gov.au</u>
d)	If yes, for each, what is the nature of their involvement?	Emeritus Professor Lloyd Sansom AO, Chair; Professor John Horvath AO and Mr William Delaat AM, are members of the Expert Panel that will provide recommendations on the regulatory frameworks for medical devices and prescription and over the counter medicines.	To provide advice to the Department on the redesign of the Tackling Indigenous Smoking Programme.	Professor Jackson led the review; EY conducted case studies for the review.	The independent review will include an analysis of departmental files including audited financial statements provided for each site, a literature review of previous programme evaluations, site visits if required, and preparation of a final review report.
e)	If yes, for each, are they on the lobbyist register? Provide details.	No		1	

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f)	If yes, for each, what contact has the Minister or their office had with them?	The Department does not have visibility of Ministers' calendars.	Not applicable	The Department does not have visibility of Ministers' calendars.	Not applicable
g)	If yes, for each, who selected them?	The Panel members were appointed by the Minister.	A transparent selection process was undertaken after a limited tender was released to seven providers with the relevant skill set.	Professor Jackson was a Ministerial appointment. EY were engaged through a limited Request for Quote process.	A transparent selection process was undertaken after a limited tender was released to three organisations listed on the Department's panel for financial and related services.
h)	If yes, for each, did the Minister or their office have any involvement in selecting them?	See response to g) above.	No	See response to g) above.	No
	i) If yes, please detail what involvement it was.	See response to g) above.	Not applicable	See response to g) above.	Not applicable
	ii) If yes, did they see or provide input to a short list?	See response to g) above.	Not applicable	See response to g) above.	Not applicable
	iii) If yes, on what dates did this involvement occur?	See response to g) above.	Not applicable	See response to g) above.	Not applicable

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iv) If yes, did this involve any verbal discussions with the department?	See response to g) above.	Not applicable	See response to g) above.	Not applicable
v) If yes, on what dates did this involvement occur?	See response to g) above.	Not applicable	See response to g) above.	Not applicable