

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH PORTFOLIO

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**OUTCOME:** 0 - Whole of Portfolio

**Topic:** Medical Research Future Fund

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

**Senator:** McLucas, Jan

**Question:**

Significant funds have been diverted from mental health programs into the Medical Research Future Fund (\$53.8m from Partners in Recovery). Is there any update on whether any funds in the Medical Research Future Fund will be directed to mental health &/or translational research?

**Answer:**

The assessment criteria, methodology, governance and advisory arrangements for the Medical Research Future Fund are currently being considered by the Government.