Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Topic: Helping Indigenous People Self-Manage their Risk of Chronic Disease

Type of Question: Written Question on Notice

Senator: McLucas, Jan

Question:

Can you provide a status update of the chronic disease self-managements support training program?

Answer:

The Chronic Disease Self-Management Programme ceased on 30 June 2014. Decisions about this programme were informed by the results of the Sentinel Sites Evaluation: a placed-based evaluation of the Indigenous Chronic Disease Package 2010-2012. This evaluation found very limited evidence of the application of the approach in every day service environments with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander patients.

The Sentinel Sites Evaluation can be accessed at:

http://www.health.gov.au/internet/main/publishing.nsf/Content/89A554D94A49B326CA257 D5C007FFF95/\$File/Sentinel%20Sites%20Evaluation%20Summary%20Report.pdf