



Australian Government
Department of Health

Ms Jeanette Radcliffe
Secretary
Senate Standing Committee on Community Affairs
Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2066

Dear Ms Radcliffe

**Request for Amendment to Evidence Provided at Supplementary Budget Estimates
Hearing, 22 October 2014
Outcome 2**

I am writing to correct a statement that I made at the Supplementary Budget Estimates hearing of the Senate Community Affairs Committee on Wednesday, 22 October 2014.

The Chair asked the following question:

“But that is not who accesses; that is the entire population, presumably”.


My response was as follows:

“That is the number of people who have claimed a benefit under the PBS”.

The response should be amended as follows (changes are underlined):

“That is the number of people who can claim a benefit under the PBS”.

Yours sincerely


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