

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH PORTFOLIO

**Supplementary Budget Estimates 2016 - 2017, 19 October 2016**

**Ref No:** SQ16-000484

**OUTCOME:** 6 - Ageing and Aged Care

**Topic:** Nurse to Patient Ratios – Aged Care

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

**Senator:** Griff, Stirling

**Question:**

- a) Has the issue of national nurse-to-patient ratios been raised through the Council of Australian Governments?
- b) Is there any plan to require residential aged care facilities to have a registered nurse onsite 24 hours per day?

**Answer:**

- a) Yes.
- b) No.