

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH PORTFOLIO

Supplementary Budget Estimates 2016 - 2017, 19 October 2016

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OUTCOME: 2 - Health Access and Support Services

Topic: Health Care Homes

Type of Question: Written Question on Notice

Senator: Watt, Murray

Question:

The Government says it is ""investing nearly \$120 million to roll out the first stage of Health Care Homes, including over \$90 million in payments to support patient care and \$21 million for infrastructure, training and evaluation.""

a) What are the sources of this funding? I.e. how much is being redirected from which programs? Please provide a breakdown by year and program

b) How will this funding be used? Please provide a breakdown by year, PHN and if possible patient cohorts and clinical activity

Answer:

a) The sources for funding for the implementation of Stage 1 of Health Care Homes has been redirected from the following programs:

	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	4 year total
MBS			41.0	52.3	93.3
PIP	0.4	9.3	0.2	11.2	21.2
PHNs		1.8	0.3	0.3	2.4

b) Funding for Stage 1 of Health Care Homes has been notionally allocated as follows:

	2016-17 \$m	2017-18 \$m	2018-19 \$m	3 year total \$m
DHS – system build (payments)	3.46	0.71	0.39	4.56
Supporting infrastructure	4.90	3.41	3.75	12.06
One-Off incentive grants	2.00			2.00
Governance	0.39	0.11	0.08	0.58
Planned clinical expenditure		37.23	59.55	96.78
Total – current priorities	10.75	41.46	63.77	115.98

Given that enrolment of practices and patients has not yet commenced, it is not possible to give a breakdown of spending by Primary Health Network (PHN) or patient cohort. These figures will not be available until after 1 July 2017, following the commencement of patient enrolment and delivery of services through eligible practices.