

Senate Finance and Public Administration Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Senator: Dodson, Patrick

Question:

Senator DODSON: Has the primary health care minimum data set been finalised and distributed to the PHNs?

Ms Cole: Are you talking about the mental health minimum data set?

Senator DODSON: Yes.

Ms Cole: I believe it is currently being trialled through five PHNs—but I will confirm that on notice—and it is likely to be available to all PHNs from about 1 July.

Answer:

No, the Primary Mental Healthcare Minimum Data Set has not been finalised.

The Primary Mental Healthcare Minimum Data Set was trialled for data uploading through four Primary Health Networks (PHNs) in November 2016 and subsequently made available in December 2016 for all PHNs to commence uploading data.

Full compliance with integrated reporting, collection and submission arrangements is anticipated to be in place from 1 July 2017.