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QUESTIONS ON NOTICE – ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES 2016-17 – DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR CROSS PORTFOLIO INDIGENOUS MATTERS

PDR No	Outcome	Question Submitted By	Subject	Full Question Text	Hansard/Ref
SQ17-000107	2 - Health Access and Support Services	McAllister, Jenny	Sexual Health	Senator McALLISTER: Did you ask the state based organisations whether they would be willing to partner with you in an evaluation of the program? Ms Bobbi Campbell: I would have to take that on notice. I am not aware.	54 - 03/03/2017
SQ17-000108	2 - Health Access and Support Services	Siewert, Rachel	Rheumatic Heart Disease	Senator SIEWERT: Could you then provide the elements of the review that go to the effectiveness and the outcomes for this particular round? Ms Cole: I can take that on notice and see what I can do.	56 - 03/03/2017
SQ17-000109	2 - Health Access and Support Services	Dodson, Patrick	Kimberley Suicide Trial Site	support to us, the Department of Health, in terms of the secretariat work for that committee. 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.	57 - 03/03/2017
SQ17-000110	2 - Health Access and Support Services	Dodson, Patrick	National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Plan	Senator DODSON: Can the department profile the funding allocation of every program that falls under the implementation plan of the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Plan which is funded through the Indigenous Australian Health program? Dr Southern: We would have to take that on notice and come back to you with that information. Senator DODSON: How long do you think that might be? Dr Southern: We will come back to you at the committee's deadline. That will be quite a complicated unpacking of the Indigenous Australian Health program budget, but we will have a go.	57 - 03/03/2017
SQ17-000111	2 - Health Access and Support Services	Siewert, Rachel	Indigenous Hearing Services	Senator SIEWERT: Thank you for that answer. Could you provide a list of the programs that have been funded under the \$36 million? Dr Southern: Yes, we certainly can. Senator SIEWERT: And also is it possible to provide details on the extra \$33 million? Dr Southern: To the Northern Territory? Senator SIEWERT: To the Northern Territory. Dr Southern: Yes, we can provide that on notice.	59 - 03/03/2017

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SQ17-000112	2 - Health Access and Support Services	Siewert, Rachel	Indigenous Hearing Services	<p>Dr Southern: Ear checks are part of the MBS item, the 715. They are very much part of that. Then particularly through the Aboriginal medical services it encourages people, particularly children, to have regular ear checks every time they visit their practices. Another thing that we are doing is some work with the Department of Education on a program called Connected Beginnings, which is about a dozen trial sites where we will be working with the Aboriginal medical services who would do outreach into the schools as well and hearing would be part of the health checks and the kind of health literacy approach that they would be taking. Ms Hefren-Webb: I might just add that we have been in touch with all of the schools involved in the Remote School Attendance strategy to check whether they have an active hearing screening process, and the vast majority have that happening at the beginning of the first year of school. Senator SIEWERT: The vast majority? Ms Hefren-Webb: There is probably a couple where it operates a bit differently because of the relationships between the clinics, the school and the locations. Senator SIEWERT: I really want to follow that up. Can you provide, on notice, where those trials are and a little bit more detail around them because that sounds very positive. Dr Southern: Yes.</p>	60 - 03/03/2017
SQ17-000113	2 - Health Access and Support Services	Dodson, Patrick	Aboriginal Representation on PHN Boards	<p>Senator DODSON: A very quick one. Minister Wyatt made a press release the other day on improving health outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people through appropriate representation on the PHN boards. Can the government expand on the intent to proceed with this objective? Ms Cole: PHNs are non-profit organisations funded by the government under various contracts and so forth. As they are non-profit organisations with their own constitutions we can only strongly encourage appropriate representation as opposed to demand appropriate representation but a number of the PHNs in recent times, with that encouragement, have increased either their membership or their board representation appropriately. Senator DODSON: Is that number five? I think it is five Aboriginal controlled representatives on, is it 31 PHNs? Ms Cole: I will have to get back to you on notice with the specifics on that one.</p>	61 - 03/03/2017
SQ17-000137	2 - Health Access and Support Services	Dodson, Patrick	National Alcohol Strategy 2016-2021	<p>a) What funding allocation is in place for the National Alcohol Strategy 2016-2021? b) Can you provide an update on the current state of progress on the National Alcohol Strategy 2016-2021? c) As it is now 2017, when will the Strategy be finalised and released publicly?</p>	Written

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SQ17-000138	2 - Health Access and Support Services	Dodson, Patrick	National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples Drug Strategy (NDS) 2014-2019	Can the Department provide the committee with an update on the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples Drug Strategy 2014-2019?	Written
SQ17-000139	2 - Health Access and Support Services	Dodson, Patrick	National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples Drug Strategy (NDS) 2014-2019	How much Commonwealth funding is allocated to the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples Drug Strategy 2014-2019?	Written
SQ17-000140	2 - Health Access and Support Services	Dodson, Patrick	National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples Drug Strategy (NDS) 2014-2019	Can the Department provide any information on when the InterGovernmental Committee on Drugs (IGCD) last met?	Written
SQ17-000141	2 - Health Access and Support Services	Dodson, Patrick	National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples Drug Strategy (NDS) 2014-2019	Can the Department confirm the (IGCD) is responsible for the NDS in overseeing the finalisation of a national strategy which is working towards a stakeholder and jurisdictional consultation process?	Written
SQ17-000142	2 - Health Access and Support Services	Dodson, Patrick	National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples Drug Strategy (NDS) 2014-2019	a) Can Department list which organisations they have consulted at this point of the process? b) When did those consultations take place?	Written
SQ17-000143	2 - Health Access and Support Services	Dodson, Patrick	National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Cancer Framework 2015	a) Can the Department provide an update on progress with the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Cancer Framework 2015? b) Can the Department report on any remaining funding attached to the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Cancer Framework 2015? c) Can the Department profile the funding for the seven national priority areas since the announcement of the framework for each year? d) Can the Department detail where the 30 community workshops across Australia were performed? e) Is the Government intending to continue the Framework?	Written
SQ17-000144	2 - Health Access and Support Services	Dodson, Patrick	National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Cancer Framework 2015	What other Commonwealth programs are in place to culturally address the high incidence of cancer among Aboriginal and Torres strait Islander peoples?	Written

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SQ17-000145	2 - Health Access and Support Services	Dodson, Patrick	Australian Nurse-Family Partnership Program (ANFPP)	a) Can the Department confirm that in 2015-16 there were only two new sites announced? b) Have those two new sites commenced operation of the ANFPP program?	Written
SQ17-000146	2 - Health Access and Support Services	Dodson, Patrick	Australian Nurse-Family Partnership Program (ANFPP)	Can Department profile the current allocation of funding for the ANFPP under the Indigenous Australians Health Program?	Written
SQ17-000147	2 - Health Access and Support Services	Dodson, Patrick	Australian Nurse-Family Partnership Program (ANFPP)	Can the Department profile that amount of funding given to each ANFPP site?	Written
SQ17-000148	2 - Health Access and Support Services	Dodson, Patrick	Australian Nurse-Family Partnership Program (ANFPP)	When does the Government intend on announcing the 8 ANFPP sites which were scheduled to be rolled out from January last year?	Written