

**Senate Finance and Administration Committee**

**ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**HEALTH PORTFOLIO**

**Supplementary Budget Estimates 2013-14, 22 November 2013**

**Question:** E13-204

**OUTCOME:** 8 - Indigenous Health

**Topic:** National Partnership Agreement on Closing the Gap in Indigenous Health Outcomes

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

**Senator:** McLucas

**Question:**

What follow up has there been with State and Territory Governments following the release in June 2013 of the Joint Report on the Review of the National Partnership Agreement on Closing the Gap in Indigenous Health Outcomes; particularly noting the 7 agreed recommendations of the report?

**Answer:**

The Joint Report on the Review of the National Partnership on Closing the Gap in Indigenous Health Outcomes (the report) has not been released yet. The report was provided to the Community Care and Population Health Principal Committee in July 2013 for endorsement and was endorsed in September 2013 to then be provided to the Australian Health Ministers' Advisory Council (AHMAC). Public release of the report is subject to AHMAC and the Standing Council on Health approval. No further follow up with state and territory governments has occurred to date.