

## QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

**ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING : 27 February 2017**

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

**(AE17/064) - Number of children referred by doctors for transfer to Australia for investigation including sexually transmitted diseases - Programme 1.5: IMA Offshore Management**

Senator McKim, Nick (L&CA 109) asked:

Senator McKIM: Ms Moy, do you have here or could you take on notice how many children have been referred by doctors for transfer to Australia for further medical investigation including for sexually transmitted diseases?

Ms Moy: No, I do not have those figures with me but I can take it on notice.

Mr Pezzullo: Over what time period?

Senator McKIM: Perhaps if you could provide a per year figure over the life of the Nauru centre, and specifically if children are diagnosed with sexually transmitted diseases or potential STDs, if they are not returned to Australia why not. Again in regard to offshore medical services, IHMS are the provider for both Manus and Nauru, is that right?

*Answer:*

The Department's Health Services Provider, International Health and Medical Services (IHMS) indicated no children were referred by doctors for transfer to Australia in 2017, nine children were referred in 2016, four children were referred in 2015, and 13 children were referred in 2014.

IHMS indicated no cases were referred for Sexually Transmitted Diseases.