

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND**  
**INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO**  
**2011-12 Budget Estimates Hearings**

**Outcome Number:** Cross

**Question No:** 360

**Topic:** Reviews

**Hansard Page:** Written

**Senator Boyce** asked:

360(a) How many Reviews are currently being undertaken by all departments and agencies in each portfolio? When will each of these reviews be concluded? What reviews have been concluded FYTD? Which of these reviews has been provided to Government?

360(b) When will the Government be responding to the respective reviews that have been completed? What is the estimated cost of each of these Reviews?

360(c) What further reviews are planned for 2010-11 FY?

**Answer:**

360(a)

The definition of 'Reviews' used to answer this question is any review publicly initiated by the Department or by one of its portfolio agencies. Other work relating to Cabinet committees, inter-departmental committees, Coalition of Australian Governments working groups and internal committees are excluded.

Five reviews have been concluded in the 2010-11 financial year. The details are set out below.

**Review Title:** Scoping Review of Existing Legislation and Policy Relating to Carers

**Date Provide to Government:** 22 June 2010

**Date Government will respond:** This is a matter for Government.

**Cost:** \$49,500 (GST exclusive)

**Review Title:** Review of the Indigenous Land Corporations Borrowing Powers and Guarantee Limits, and Review of the ongoing Management Arrangements of the Land Account

**Date Provided to Government:** 29 June 2011

**Date Government will respond:** This is a matter for Government.

**Cost:** \$170,175.45 (GST exclusive)

**Review Title:** A Review of access to Carer Allowance (child) of children 10 years or more with Type 1 Diabetes

**Date Provided to Government:** 17 June 2011

**Date Government will respond:** This is a matter for Government.

**Cost:** \$13,636 (GST exclusive)

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**Review Title:** Evaluation of the trial of the National Disability Advocacy Program Quality Assurance System

**Date Provided to Government:** 21 December 2010

**Date Government responded:** 22 June 2011

**Cost:** \$62,093.18 (GST exclusive)

**Review Title:** Evaluation of Outside School Hours Care for Teenagers with Disability

**Date Provided to Government:** March 2011

**Date Government responded:** N/A

**Cost:** \$102,364 (GST exclusive)

There are nine reviews currently being undertaken in the FaHCSIA portfolio. The details are set out below.

**Review Title:** A Review of The Impairment Tables for Disability Support Payment

**Date Provided to Government:** N/A – expected end date January 2012

**Date Government will respond:** The Government will respond once the final report has been received

**Cost:** Estimated cost \$150,000 (GST exclusive)

**Review Title:** Family Tax Benefit – Participation Requirement Evaluation

**Date Provided to Government:** N/A – expected end date December 2011

**Date Government will respond:** Not for response – for information only

**Cost:** Estimated cost \$170,000 (GST exclusive)

**Review Title:** Helping Children with Autism Package Evaluation

**Date Provided to Government:** N/A – expected end date December 2011

**Date Government will respond:** The Government will respond once the final report has been received

**Cost:** Estimated cost \$650,000 (GST exclusive)

**Review Title:** Review of Eligible Interventions for the Helping Children with Autism Package

**Date Provided to Government:** N/A – expected end date July 2011

**Date Government will respond:** The Government will respond once the final report has been received

**Cost:** Estimated cost \$68,509 (GST exclusive)

**Review Title:** Evaluation of the Autism Specific Early Learning and Care Centres

**Date Provided to Government:** N/A – expected end date December 2011

**Date Government will respond:** The Government will respond once the final report has been received

**Cost:** Estimated cost \$188,513 (GST exclusive)

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**Review Title:** Evaluation of the Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs rural, remote and Indigenous service delivery under the Targeted Community Care (Mental Health) Program

**Date Provided to Government:** N/A – expected end date September 2011

**Date Government will respond:** The Government will respond once the final report has been received

**Cost:** Estimated cost \$255,000 (GST exclusive)

**Review Title:** Community Development Financial Institution evaluation

**Date Provided to Government:** N/A – expected end date May 2012

**Date Government will respond:** The Government will respond once the final report has been received

**Cost:** Estimated cost \$178,182 (GST exclusive).

**Review Title:** Case Based Funding Review

**Date Provided to Government:** N/A – expected end date September 2011

**Date Government will respond:** The Government will respond once the final report has been received

**Cost:** Estimated cost \$433,776 (GST exclusive).

**Review Title:** Evaluation of Income Management in the Northern Territory

**Date Provided to Government:** N/A – expected end date December 2014

**Date Government will respond:** The Government will respond once the final report has been received

**Cost:** Estimated cost \$2,830,206 (GST exclusive).

360(b) The cost of each review and detail of Government is indicated in 360(a) above.

360(c) No further reviews are currently planned for the 2010-2011 financial year.