

Senate Standing Committee on Finance and Public Administration

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Human Services Portfolio

Additional Estimates 2006-2007, 13th and 16th February, 2007

Question: HS59

Agency: Medicare Australia

Outcome 1, Output 1.1

Topic: Advertising Campaigns

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SENATOR WONG asked on 16/02/2007:

- (1) What sum was spent on each of the active advertising campaigns for each department and agency in the Minister's portfolio?
- (2) In attachment A – a list of active campaigns that were tabled in on 30 October 2006 at Senate Estimates, what were the actual costs for those which have been completed as relevant to each department and agency in the Minister's portfolio?
- (3) At the Budget Estimates in May 2006, the Budget Papers listed the following Pending Campaigns (from Budget Papers: period up to 4 years)

Campaign	\$M
Smart Card	47.3
Child Support Reform	36.1
Promote Private Health Cover	52.1
Medicare direct mail	17.5
New family law arrangements	19.9
Independent contractors	<15
Pensions real estate/assets test	5.9 (at least, over 2 years)
Smart Traveller	13.1
Alcohol abuse	25.2
Citizenship	4
Disease risk factors	
Child care rebate	
Family Law arrangements	
Illicit drugs and mental illness	
Living in Harmony Initiative	

- (4) For those campaigns which are relevant to each department and agency in the Minister's portfolio, what is the:
 - (a) planning progress for campaigns;
 - (b) likely start dates; and
 - (c) media spend.

ANSWER:

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- (1) Nil.
- (2) Not applicable.
- (3) Not applicable.
- (4) Not applicable.

To prepare this answer it has taken approximately 3 hours at an estimated cost of \$190.