

Senate Finance and Public Administration Standing Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES – 24 FEBRUARY 2009

Human Services Portfolio

Department/Agency: Human Services Portfolio

Outcome/Output Group: All

Topic: Consultants

Senator: Coonan

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Question:

HS16: Over each year of the forward estimates, how much will each department and agency spend on:

- A. Consultants in total
- B. ITC Consultants
- C. Legal Consultants
- D. HR Consultants
- E. Accounting Consultants

Answer:

HS16: The Portfolio Department of Human Services, Medicare Australia, Australian Hearing

Consultant expenditure for the forward estimates is not yet available. (Future year expenditure on consultancies is not available until internal budget processes are finalised towards the end of the financial year).

Centrelink

Centrelink does not have a fixed plan for future year expenditure on consultancies. Future use of consultancies will depend on business needs.

HSA Group

HSA Group is non-budget funded and does not undertake a forward estimates process.

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