

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES 2013

PM&C Portfolio

Department/Agency: National Mental Health Commission
Outcome/Program: National Mental Health Commission
Topic: Consultancies

Senator: Senator Ryan

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Question:

How many consultancies have been undertaken this financial year to date? Identify the name of the consultant, the subject matter of the consultancy, the duration and cost of the arrangement, and the method of procurement (ie. open tender, direct source, etc). Also include total value for all consultancies.

How many consultancies are planned for this calendar year? Have these been published in your Annual Procurement Plan (APP) on the AusTender website and if not why not? In each case please identify the subject matter, duration, cost and method of procurement as above, and the name of the consultant if known.

Answer:

As at 11 February 2013 the Commission has engaged nine consultants, to the value of \$316,848.00 (GST incl). See table on next page.

The Commission's Annual Procurement Plan was published on Austender on 22 June 2012. Further details are not known at this stage as these relate to the review of the inaugural Report Card and the development of the 2013 Report Card.

Name	Subject matter	Duration	Cost	Method of procurement
Richard Matthews Consulting	Provision of policy and ad hoc expert technical advice	End of this financial year	\$16,500.00	Direct source
Sally Gaven Consulting	Provision of services for National Mental Health Commission internal review	Completed	\$9,680.00	Direct source
Gregor Henderson Ltd	Provision of international expert advice and support to the Commission, including for the National Report Card on Mental Health & Suicide Prevention	Completed	\$32,000.00	Direct source
Tracy Shatek & Associates	Provision of facilitation services for January 2013 National Mental Health Commission meeting and strategic work planning	Completed	\$9,988.00	Direct source
FOLK Pty Ltd	Provision for stakeholder database management solution	Completed	\$7,260.00	Direct source
Boxing Clever	Assist with the development of a communications and launch strategy for the 2012 National Report Card on Mental Health and Suicide Prevention	Completed	\$52,000	Direct source
Boxing Clever	Provision of media relation services	Completed	\$44,000	Direct source
Craze Lateral Solutions Pty Ltd	Development and pilot a regular lived experiences survey to support the National Report Card	End of this financial year	\$78,980.00	Direct source
Craze Lateral Solutions Pty Ltd	Development of a survey instrument and methodology to support a regular lived experiences survey	End this financial year	\$66,440.00	Direct source