

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 23-24 MAY 2011

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(BE11/0620) Program 4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management

Senator Cash asked:

In response to QoN 314 from the February 2011 Estimates, some of the health conditions for which people have been transferred to the mainland include “plastics”. What other non-urgent procedures have been paid for?

Answer:

The conditions for which clients have been transported to the mainland are outlined in the response to QoN 621. Clients are not transported to the mainland for medical treatment, unless it is the opinion of the contracted health service provider Medical Director that their condition cannot be treated adequately on Christmas Island.