

**QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

**BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARINGS: 21-22 MAY 2012**

**IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO**

**(BE12/0464) Program: 4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management**

Senator Cash asked:

What has been the total cost of providing these specialised medical services and surgeries?

*Answer:*

Data is available on expenditure for dental services and surgeries for clients in immigration detention facilities and community detention:

<b>July 2011 - May 2012</b>	
Dental related expenses:	\$3 853 883
Surgery related expenses:	\$22 197

Due to the way detention health expenditure is recorded in departmental systems, a breakdown of expenditure against other types of health services for clients in detention is not available in consolidated form.

The cost of providing specialised medical services to people holding Bridging Visas is also not available in consolidated form.