

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 15 October 2012

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(SE12/0540) PROGRAM – 4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management

Senator Cash (written) asked:

In relation to community detention, provide a figure for the health costs, dental and other specialist costs and pharmaceuticals for 2011-12 and the year to date? What is budgeted for these costs in 2012-13?

Answer:

A breakdown of costs for financial year to date as at 30 September 2012 is set out below.

Hospital	\$825,000
Pathology	\$171,521
Doctor	\$455,808
Radiology	\$92,239
Mental Health	\$1,281
Psychologist	\$118,292
Psychiatrist	\$15,320
Dental Costs	\$397,994
Pharmaceuticals	\$122,016
Health Cost Total	\$2,199,474

The costs in 2012-13 will be determined by the number and composition of clients placed into the community detention program and their individual characteristics and need.