

**SENATE COMMUNITY AFFAIRS REFERENCES COMMITTEE
PUBLIC HEARING PROGRAM**

FRIDAY 19 MARCH 2010

**Parliament House 2S3, CANBERRA
INQUIRY INTO HEARING HEALTH IN AUSTRALIA**

- 9.00 am - 9.30 am Safe Work Australia (Sub 5)**
Wayne Creaser, Branch Manager, Research and Data Branch
Fleur Champion de Crespigny, Assistant Director, Research and Evaluation Section
- 9.30 am - 10.15 am Australian Hearing (Sub 38)**
Professor Harvey Dillon, Director of Research, NAL
Ms Gina Mavrias, Executive Manager, Operations
Ms Samantha Harkus, Manager, Indigenous Services
- 10.15 am - 10.30 am Break**
- 10.30 am - 11.00 am NTER Hearing Assessment – *via teleconference from Darwin***
Ms Kathie Currie, Hearing Health Program Leader, NT Department of Health and Families
Ms Kacy Kohn, East Arnhem Regionalisation Coordinator, NT Department of Health and Families
- 11.00 am - 11.30 am Mrs Jo Nixon– *via teleconference from Alice Springs***
- 11.30 am - 12.30 pm Department of Health and Ageing (Sub 54)**
Ms Mary McDonald, First Assistant Secretary, Regulatory Policy & Governance Division
Ms Teresa Ward, National Manager Office of Hearing Services
Ms Tarja Saastamoinen, Assistant Secretary, Family Health & Wellbeing Branch, Office of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health
Mr Craig Ritchie, Assistant Secretary, Remote Health Service Development Branch, Office of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health
Dr Geetha Isaac-Toua, Medical Advisor, Public Health Advisory Unit, Office of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health
Dr Bernie Towler, Principal Medical Advisor, Office of Health Protection
Ms Penny Shakespeare, Assistant Secretary, Private Health Insurance Branch, Acute Care Division
Mr Peter Woodley, Assistant Secretary, Medicare Financing and Analysis Branch, Medical Benefits Division
Ms Virginia Hart, Assistant Secretary, Mental Health Reform Branch, Mental Health and Chronic Disease Division