

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

National e-Health Transition Authority (NeHTA)

Budget Estimates 2011-12, Supplementary Estimates

Question: 33

OUTCOME 10.2: e-Health

Topic: Consultancies

Senator McKenzie asked:

How many consultancies were undertaken in 2007-08, 2008-09 and 2009-10?

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:

The nature of the NEHTA work programme requires extensive use of contractors and consultants. As such, a number of consultancies have been engaged during the last two years. A shortlist of the top 10 consultancies in the last two financial years is below.

Financial Year 2010/11

Top 10 Executed Consulting Contracts by Expenditure

	Purpose	Contracting Company	1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011 (\$'000)
1	NASH Design and Build contract	IBM Australia	23,651
2	Jurisdiction project to support the PCEHR wave 1 programme of work	QLD Health	3,329
3	Make changes as required by the passing of HI legislation	Medicare Australia	3,202
4	Extension of Clinical Knowledge Manager to enable full integration of NEHTA national clinical specifications into the PCEHR template.	Ocean Informatics	1,342

5	Assist in the maximisation of the NSW patient registry and lay foundation for future e-health initiatives.	NSW Health	1,000
6	Undertake the Implementation Planning Study for wave sites	Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu	886
7	Facilitate improvements in programme management functions and assist in the implementation of a Enterprise Project management Suite to assist in the delivery of the Mega Plan	Accenture Australia Holdings	627
8	Make changes as required by the passing of HI legislation	Medicare Australia	404
9	Contract with Standards Australia to fast-track Electronic Transfer of Prescription specifications	Standards Australia	370
10	Assist in the maximisation of the NSW patient registry and lay foundation for future e-health initiatives.	NSW Health	350
Total of Top 10 Contracts by Expenditure			35,161

Financial Year 2009/10

Top 10 Executed Consulting Contracts by Expenditure

	Purpose	Contracting Company	1 July 2009 to 30 June 2010 (\$'000)
1	To provide a Security and Access Framework which defines the controls to facilitate consistency and traceability of access to health information across systems used by healthcare organisations within Australia.	Accenture Australia Holdings	575
2	Produce architectural services required for release one design deliverables and develop the NEHTA Governance Authority Model	IBM Australia	245
3	Formalise arrangements sprint two of the NASH Programme	IBM Australia	245
4	Develop guidelines for safe ePrescribing and Electronic Management in Hospitals	ACSQHC Commission	175
5	Facilitate and drive regular strategic discussion, through think-tank sessions and other forums	Accenture Australia Holdings	168

6	Third localisation cycle of the Clinical Safety Management System and delivery of a Clinical Safety Case for Health Identifiers Release 2	BT Australasia Pty Ltd	128
7	Clinical Safety Assessment Program - Structured Knowledge Transfer and Training and System Orientation	BT Australasia Pty Ltd	127
8	Development of a project plan for an Australian SNOMED CT General Practice Reference Set and maps.	University of Sydney	118
9	Delivery of the Clinical Safety Case for Health Identifiers	BT Australasia Pty Ltd	107
10	Review of plans developed for measuring and monitoring outcomes of investment in e-health. Develop a high level approach to workforce issues and provide recommendations to the director of the Clinical Unit and Head of Architecture and Strategy	Michael Legg & Associates	102
Total of Top 10 Contracts by Expenditure			1,990