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OUTCOME: 0 - Whole of Portfolio

Topic: Grants

Type of Question: Written Question on Notice

Senator: Ludwig Joe

Question:

a) Provide a list of all grants, including ad hoc and one-off grants from the Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date. Provide the recipients, amount, intended use of the grants, what locations have benefited from the grants and the electorate and state of those locations.
b) Update the status of each grant that was approved prior to 7 September 2013, but did not have financial contracts in place on 7 September 2013. Provide details of the recipients, the amount, the intended use of the grants, what locations have benefited from the grants and the electorate and state of those grants.

Answer:

a)   A list of the contracts for grants executed between 21 November 2013 and 28 February 2014 is publicly available on the Department of Health's internet site: http://www.health.gov.au/internet/main/publishing.nsf/Content/pfps-grantsreporting The Department publishes this information to fulfil its obligations under the Financial Management and Accountability Act. The site provides all of the information requested other than the locations that will benefit from the grants and the electorate. As nearly 200 grants fall within the scope of this request and all of the additional information sought is not complete and readily available, the Department considers that to provide this additional detail will involve an unreasonable diversion of resources.

b)   The list of grants that were approved prior to 7 September 2013 and executed between 7 September 2013 and 28 February 2014 is provided in Table A. The table provides all of the information requested other than the locations that will benefit from the grants as this information is not readily available.

Grants that were approved prior to 7 September 2013 where a contract had not been executed by 28 February 2014 have been excluded from this response. This exclusion is on the grounds that the release of such information publicly would be detrimental to the Commonwealth's ability to obtain value with public money. Following the execution of the grant agreements, details will be made publicly available on the Department's internet site in accordance with the Commonwealth Grant Guidelines.

Table A – Grants that were approved prior to 7 September 2013 and executed between 7 September 2013 and 28 February 2014

Grant Participant Name	Value (Inc. GST)	Suburb	State	Electorate	Grant Purpose
JUVENILE DIABETES RESEARCH FOUNDATION INTERNATIONAL	$ 1,403,400.00	ST LEONARDS	NSW	NORTH SYDNEY	INSULIN PUMP SUBSIDIES FOR CHILDREN
LIONS EYE INSTITUTE LTD	$ 298,610.46	TOP END OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA	WA	DURACK	TO IMPROVE ACCESS TO OPTOMETRIC SERVICES TO PEOPLE LIVING & WORKING IN RURAL & REMOTE COMMUNITIES
GENERAL PRACTICE QUEENSLAND LTD	$ 942,076.00	BRISBANE	QLD	BRISBANE	EAR AND EYES HEALTH AND SURGICAL BLITZ AND INFORMATION
NSW RURAL DOCTORS NETWORK LTD	$ 570,514.00	MASCOT	NSW	KINGSFORD SMITH	EAR AND EYES HEALTH AND SURGICAL BLITZ AND INFORMATION
RURAL DOCTORS WORKFORCE AGENCY INCORPORATED	$ 682,924.00	MILE END	SA	ADELAIDE	EAR AND EYES HEALTH AND SURGICAL BLITZ AND INFORMATION
RURAL WORKFORCE AGENCY; VICTORIA LIMITED	$ 220,586.00	MELBOURNE	VIC	MELBOURNE	EAR AND EYES HEALTH AND SURGICAL BLITZ AND INFORMATION
WESTERN AUSTRALIAN CENTRE FOR REMOTE AND RURAL MEDICINE LTD	$ 1,094,936.01	NEDLANDS	WA	CURTIN	HEARING HEALTH PROGRAM
PARTNERS 4 HEALTH LIMITED	$ 110,000.00	LUTWYCHE	QLD	BRISBANE	PROVIDES FINANCIAL INCENTIVES FOR DOCTORS TO RELOCATE TO, OR REMAIN IN, OUTER METROPOLITAN AREAS. IT ALSO PROVIDES TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES FOR DOCTORS UNDERTAKING GENERAL PRACTICE OR SPECIALIST TRAINING IN OUTER METROPOLITAN AREAS.
THE ROYAL AUSTRALIAN COLLEGE OF GP	$ 1,347,629.80	EAST MELBOURNE	VIC	MELBOURNE	ONLINE EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLANNING TOOL