

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH PORTFOLIO

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OUTCOME: 1 - Population Health

Topic: Preventive Health

Type of Question: Written Question on Notice

Senator: McLucas Jan

Question:

- a) What stage of development or progress is the National Nutrition Plan at?
- b) What are the next steps for the National Nutrition Plan?
- c) How much funding is behind the National Nutrition Plan?

Answer:

a) and b)

The Department of Health is working with key stakeholders to gain a stronger understanding of their current expectations on the scope of a national nutrition policy prior to seeking advice from the Assistant Minister for Health, Senator the Hon Fiona Nash, on next steps.

- c) From the original allocation of \$1.056 million in 2011-12 to support the development of the national nutrition policy:
 - \$481,000 has been expended on the national nutrition policy to date; and
 - \$575,000 remains available for future work.