

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**

**ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**HEALTH PORTFOLIO**

**Additional Estimates 2013 - 2014, 26 February 2014**

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**OUTCOME:** 5 - Primary Care

**Topic:** Regional Health

**Type of Question:** Written Question on Notice

**Senator:** McLucas Jan

**Question:**

What proportion of the PIP total funding is for the rural loading?

**Answer:**

The Practice Incentives Programme (PIP) is a demand driven programme that is funded through the Practice Incentives for General Practice Flexible Fund and components of the programme do not have a specific funding allocation. In 2012-13, approximately 8 per cent of total PIP funding was directed towards the PIP Rural Loading.