

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH PORTFOLIO

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OUTCOME: 9 - Private Health

Topic: Medibank Private Trial

Type of Question: Written Question on Notice

Senator: McLucas Jan

Question:

Is the Department aware of a trial being conducted by Medibank Private in Queensland guaranteeing GP access and covering a co-payment for its customers? Did the Department have any discussions with Medibank Private prior to this trial commencing?

Answer:

Yes. The Department of Health discussed the trial with Medibank Private in July 2013 and October 2013, prior to the trial commencing in November 2013.