

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH PORTFOLIO

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OUTCOME: 11 - Mental Health

Topic: Community Mental Health Programs

Type of Question: Written Question on Notice

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Question:

- a) What community mental health programs is the Department responsible for?
- b) How will the NDIS, as it rolls out, interact with community mental health programs for which the department has responsibility?
- c) How will the rollout of the NDIS affect the future funding of community mental health programs for which the department has responsibility?

Answer:

- a) A list of mental health programmes the Department of Health is responsible for can be found at www.health.gov.au/mentalhealth.

b) and c)

The Support for Day to Day Living in the Community (D2DL) programme and Partners in Recovery (PIR) initiative are in-scope for the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS), with these programmes expected to provide services to NDIS clients at relevant NDIS trial sites. In-scope organisations are required to meet NDIS reporting requirements in order to track and monitor the interface with the NDIS.

The interface between PIR and the NDIS will also be explored through the national PIR evaluation.