

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

Budget Estimates 2011-2012, 30/31 May 2011

Question: E11-062

OUTCOME 4: Aged Care and Population Ageing

Topic: EXPANSION OF THE RESIDENTIAL AGED CARE VIABILITY SUPPLEMENT

Written Question on Notice

Senator Payne asked:

How much of the \$16 million allocated to the continuation and expansion of the residential aged care viability supplement will be used to assist homes that specialise in caring for the homeless, in particular? (2011-12 Budget Paper no 2, p211)

Answer:

It is estimated that around half of the \$16 million provided in the 2011-12 Budget for the Continuation and Expansion of the Residential Aged Care Viability Supplement will be directed towards extending the supplement to those aged care homes identified as facing pressures in transitioning to the Aged Care Funding Instrument (ACFI), including homes that specialise in providing low care services in rural and remote areas and homes specialising in services for homeless and Indigenous Australians with complex behavioural needs.