

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

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OUTCOME 1: Population Health

Topic: RU486

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Senator: Senator Boswell

Question:

Does the TGA now hold any information about the death of women following the administration of RU486 elsewhere in the world? If not, can you undertake to get those details?

Answer:

The Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA) does not routinely collect information on adverse events following treatment with a therapeutic product in any other country. Occasionally other regulators provide advice about individual cases but this material is not maintained in any searchable data set.

While the TGA may request this information from other regulators, the information is provided to the TGA under the terms of our confidentiality arrangements within international agreements. Consistent with those arrangements, this would not allow releasing the information to third parties.