

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

Budget Estimates 2012-2013, 30 & 31 May and 1 June 2012

Question: E12-173

OUTCOME 11: Mental Health

Topic: Mental Health – 2012-13 Budget

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Senator: Senator Wright

Question:

- a) In the Treasurer's Budget overview, the Government says it is "investing \$61 billion in 2012 13 in Australia's health care system, an estimated 37 per cent increase on 2007 08 levels" and "an additional \$19.8 billion in reforms to public hospital funding over the period to 2019-20." Is this correct - does this year's Budget invest a total amount of \$61 billion into health services?
- b) Of this \$61 billion, can you tell me what percentage is directly going to mental health services?
- c) What is the percentage of the mental health allocation within the context of the overall health budget this year?

Answer:

Please refer to the response provided to Question E12-199.