

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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OUTCOME 4: Aged Care and Population Ageing

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- a) Where was the overclaiming, if I can put it that way, and was it confined to a small number of providers?
- b) How extensive was it?
- c) How many of those providers are we talking about?

Answer:

a) – c)

The Aged Care Funding Instrument (ACFI) Review Program aims to review 20,000 ACFI appraisals annually.

In 2011, 867 out of 1606 (54 per cent) aged care facilities visited through the ACFI Review Program were subject to downgrades to ACFI classifications under section 29-1 of the Aged Care Act 1997.

Individual results at facilities vary greatly with some facilities only having one or two ACFI appraisals reclassified and others requiring reclassification of 100 per cent of reviewed appraisals.

In the 2010-11 financial year 17% of ACFI appraisals reviewed were downgraded through the ACFI Review Program.