

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

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Senator: Senator Di Natale

Question:

- a) How much has been spent to date on travel related expenses in rollout of the PCEHR?
- b) How much of this was overseas travel (including overseas consultants to travel to Australia)?

Answer:

a) and b)

Since 1 July 2012, when the personally controlled electronic health record PCEHR system was rolled out, a total of \$8,292 for travel related expenses has been spent by the Department of Health and Ageing. In the same period the Department has not incurred costs for overseas travel. PCEHR delivery partners are contracted to deliver a service, not on a cost recovery basis. If they need to travel to deliver they do so at their own cost.