Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

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OUTCOME 1: Population Health

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Senator: Senator Di Natale

Question:

Does the Department intend to release the Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder Monograph which has now been completed since 2009? What has been the reason for the delay in releasing the Monograph?

Answer:

The Foetal Alcohol Syndrome Disorder Monograph has now been approved for release by the Standing Council on Health and is available on the National Drug Strategy website at www.nationaldrugstrategy.gov.au.

The Monograph has taken some time to become public while it has been considered by sub-committees of Australian Health Ministers' Advisory Council. However over this time it has informed activity by Commonwealth and State Governments.