

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH PORTFOLIO

Supplementary Budget Estimates 2013-14, 20 November 2013

Question: E13-108

OUTCOME: 14 - Biosecurity and Emergency Response

Topic: Tuberculosis

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Senator: McLucas

Question:

Do you know whether the three people still in treatment of tuberculosis are able to be treated in any of the treaty villages and do not have to live at Daru while they are being treated?

Answer:

The Western Province Tuberculosis Specialist Medical Officer has advised the Department of Health that, as at 6 December 2013, only one person is still in treatment for tuberculosis. The patient is being treated in their village, with regular medical supplies from Daru.