

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH PORTFOLIO

Supplementary Budget Estimates 2013-14, 20 November 2013

Question: E13-126

OUTCOME: 13 – Acute Care

Topic: National Partnership Agreement on Treating More Public Dental Patients

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Senator: Di Natale

Question:

Can we have a breakdown on how ... [funds have] been allocated?

Answer:

Under the National Partnership Agreement on Treating More Public Dental Patients, funding from 2013-14 is contingent on the states and territories achieving at least 65 per cent of the target for each performance period. States will be paid (subject to achieving the minimum target) up to 100 per cent of funds set aside for that period. Funding and targets are cumulative across the three years of the program.

The allocation of funds for the states per year is outlined in Table A. Payments made, to 19 December 2013, under this Agreement (and subject to the cumulative target and funding arrangements) are outlined in Table B.

Table A: Allocation of Funds Per Year

Jurisdiction	2012-13 (\$m)	2013-14 (\$m)	2014-15 (\$m)	TOTAL (\$m)
NSW	22.3	50.0	38.5	110.8
VIC	17.2	38.5	29.7	85.4
QLD	13.5	30.4	23.4	67.3
WA	5.8	13.0	10.1	28.8
SA	5.6	12.5	9.6	27.7
TAS	2.5	5.5	4.3	12.3
ACT	1.1	2.5	1.9	5.5
NT	1.2	2.8	2.1	6.1
TOTAL	69.2	155.2	119.6	344.0

Table B: Funds Paid

Jurisdiction	2012-13 (\$m)	2013-14 (\$m)	
		<i>Paid*</i>	<i>Remaining</i>
NSW	22.3	18.9	31.1
VIC	17.2	-	38.6
QLD	13.5	-	30.4
WA	5.8	-	13.0
SA	5.6	6.0	6.4
TAS	2.5	2.8	2.8
ACT	1.1	1.2	1.2
NT	1.2	-	2.8
TOTAL	69.2	28.9	126.3

* States that received zero funding in 2013-14 *Paid* column did not achieve the minimum performance target to trigger payment. Those funds have been rolled over into the next performance period (see 2013-14 *Remaining* column).