

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**

**ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**HEALTH PORTFOLIO**

**Supplementary Budget Estimates 2013-14, 20 November 2013**

**Question:** E13-135

**OUTCOME:** 5 – Primary Care

**Topic:** Medicare Locals

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**Senator:** McLucas

**Question:**

Do you have any evidence of states contracting to Medicare Locals?

**Answer:**

The Department of Health has evidence of states and territories contracting to Medicare Locals for delivery of state based programs. This evidence is provided in the Medicare Local Annual Plans and 12 month reports as required by the Deed for Funding.

An example of evidence of a state contracting to a Medicare Local is provided by the North Western Melbourne Medicare Local who receives funding from the Victorian Department of Health for a pilot project to improve early detection and management of Chronic Kidney Disease in the Macedon Ranges.