

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH PORTFOLIO

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Question: E13-155

OUTCOME: 11 - Mental Health

Topic: Mental Health Nurse Incentive Programme

Type of Question: Written Question on Notice

Senator: McLucas

Question:

Following the evaluation of the program that was published in 2012, what improvements have been, or will be implemented?

Answer:

The Government has committed to tasking the National Mental Health Commission to assess the effectiveness of all existing mental health programmes across both the government and non-government sectors to ensure that services are properly targeted at patients, that services are not being duplicated and that programmes are not being unnecessarily burdened by red tape. The Mental Health Nurse Incentive Programme will form part of this review.