

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**

**ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**HEALTH PORTFOLIO**

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

**Question: E13-164**

**OUTCOME:** 0 - Whole of Portfolio

**Topic:** Corporate Matters

**Type of Question:** Written Question on Notice

**Senator:** Smith

**Question:**

In relation to the new Grants Services Division, please provide:

- a) A list of preventative health grants which will be administered by the new division; and
- b) Details on the process for considering eligibility and approvals process for DoH grants.

**Answer:**

- a) The Government funds a range of interventions and activities to address prevention and management of chronic conditions and to promote healthy lifestyles. As a number of these grants are not classified as preventive health grants but relate to the scope of the measure that directly funds those activities, it would require an unreasonable redirection of departmental resources to provide a comprehensive list of grants that could be defined as preventive health activities.
- b) The Department of Health's processes for considering eligibility and approval of grants are developed to comply with the Commonwealth Grant Guidelines (CGGs) and the Australia National Audit Office Better Practice Guide: Implementing Better Practice Grant Administration.

The CGG's seven key principles of better practice grant administration inform the development of Grant Programme Guidelines and associated Approach To Market documentation. These documents outline the eligibility and assessment criteria for each grant activity.