

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Committee**

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH PORTFOLIO

**Budget Estimates 2014 - 2015, 30 May 2014**

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**OUTCOME:** 5 - Primary Health Care

**Topic:** Indigenous Australians' Health Programme

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

**Senator:** McLucas, Jan

**Question:**

How will the Indigenous Australians' Health Programme be implanted? How will the four funding streams be consolidated within the programme?

**Answer:**

The four funding streams (primary health care base funding: child and maternal health programmes: Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory and the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Chronic Disease Fund) were consolidated to establish the Indigenous Australians' Health Programme on 1 July 2014.

Funding will continue to be provided through the usual arrangements in 2014-15. From 2015-16 funding will be based on a new funding methodology, with streamlined funding and reporting arrangements.