

**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:**

The Indigenous Australians' Health Programme has been described as a flexible funding pool. Can the department confirm that funding allocations for each of the four streams will cease upon consolidation in this programme? How will funding be allocated from this new flexible funding pool?

**Answer:**

Funding allocations under the previous four 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) did not cease – they were transferred to the new Indigenous Australians' Health Programme on 1 July 2014.