

Senate Finance and Public Administration Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH PORTFOLIO

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OUTCOME: 5 - Primary Health Care

Topic: Department of Health

Type of Question: Written Question on Notice

Senator: Siewert, Rachel

Question:

Can I have a list of the programs and funds that have either been paused or cut, and or programs not filled.

Answer:

Core, front-line primary health care services for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people have not been affected by the reductions over the forward estimates.

Expansion of the Tackling Smoking measure will be paused while a review is undertaken to ensure it is being implemented efficiently. While the review is being undertaken, service delivery for this measure will continue, with a pause on recruitment of any positions that were vacant as at May 2014.

The Local Community Campaigns and Strong Fathers Strong Families measures were due to cease on 30 June 2014. Organisations were advised of this in April 2014.

The funding agreement for the Chronic Disease Self-Management initiative expired in 2013-2014.