Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

Budget Estimates 2011-12, 30/31 May 2011

Question: E11-131

OUTCOME 1: Population Health

TOPIC: FUNDING FOR BOWEL CANCER SCREENING

Written Question on Notice

Senator Adams asked:

Funding for the National Bowel Cancer Screening Program has been extended in its current limited form from the upcoming new financial year.

What is the Department's estimated costs of rolling out a properly funded program including biennial repeat screening for all Australians over the age of 50?

Answer:

Cost estimates for the continuation of the Program, developed as part of the 2011-12 Budget process, are "Budget in Confidence" and cannot be provided.