

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

Budget Estimates 2011-2012, 30/31 May 2011

Question: E11-188

OUTCOME 11: Mental Health

Topic: LOCATION OF EPPICS

Written Question on Notice

Senator Fierravanti-Wells asked:

Will the location of acute beds in public hospitals influence where the EPPICs will be located? (Refer Page 55 Hansard 30 May.)

Answer:

It will be a requirement of states and territories that Early Psychosis Prevention and Intervention Centre (EPPIC) sites being established under the measure are supported by inpatient and sub acute beds for young people experiencing early psychosis.

The precise location of EPPIC sites will be subject to discussions with states and territories as this measure is implemented.