Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

Budget Estimates 2011-2012, 30/31 May 2011

Question: E11-540

OUTCOME 4: Aged Care and Population Ageing

Topic: CONSUMER DIRECTED CARE (CDC)

Written Question on Notice

Senator Fierravanti-Wells asked:

- a) As to the Consumer Directed Care (CDC) packages that were announced in the 2010-11 budget, I understand that 500 packages were allocated.
- b) How many of those are operational?
- c) What is the evaluation process for the CDC places?

Answer:

- a) All 500 places were allocated.
- b) All 500 places are operational.
- c) The evaluation of CDC is being conducted on behalf of the Department by KPMG. A CDC Evaluation Reference Group comprising internal and external stakeholders are assisting in providing advice on the evaluation process. As part of the evaluation, care recipients and carers will complete a survey and some will receive a follow up interview to collect further information on their experience. All participation is voluntary. The evaluation commenced in late 2010 and a final evaluation report from KPMG is expected in early 2012.