



Australian Government

Department of Health

Ms Jeanette Radcliffe
Secretary
Senate Standing Committee on Community Affairs
Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2066

Dear Ms Radcliffe

**Correction of evidence to 2018 - 2019 Additional Estimates Hearing,
20 February 2019**

I am writing to correct evidence provided to the Committee during its examination of the Department of Health in the 2018 - 2019 Additional Estimates hearing on 20 February 2019.

In answering a question from Senator Polley, I said in relation to Report on Government Services (ROGS): "The Productivity Commission report data relates to median wait times." (Hansard, Senate Community Affairs Legislation Committee, Estimates, Wednesday 20 February 2019, Proof Copy, page 39)

It has been brought to my notice that ROGS reports on median elapsed times not median wait times.

Yours sincerely

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on behalf of

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