



**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 Supplementary Budget Estimates Hearing,  
24 October 2018**

I am writing to clarify evidence provided to the Committee during its examination of the Department of Health in the 2018 - 2019 Supplementary Budget Estimates hearing on 24 October 2018.

In answering a question from Senator Murray Watt about the \$51.8 million of funding announced for headspace on 14 October 2018, I said: “*That is new funding.*” (Hansard, Senate Community Affairs Legislation Committee, Estimates, 24 October 2018, Proof Copy, page 80.)

More correctly, of the total \$51.8 million funding being discussed, \$39 million is additional funding to be appropriated to Program 2.1 – Mental Health. The remaining \$12.8 million was already contained within the forward estimates of Program 2.1 – Mental Health.

Yours sincerely

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