Senate Finance & Public Administration References Committee Inquiry into COAG health and hospital reforms

Australian Health Care Reform Alliance

Answers to Questions on Notice

Where do you receive your funding from?

The Alliance is a member based organisation. Our funding are derived from member subscriptions and hosting of events such as AHCRA Summits.

What is the structure of your organisation?

AHCRA is a peak body representing 42 organisations (list attached to our submission to the Senate Committee). The Alliance elects an executive (all in voluntary capacity), comprising of representatives from various membership groups such as consumers, medical, nursing and allied health.

Do you receive any Commonwealth funding? If so, how much?

AHCRA does not receive any Commonwealth funding.

What level of consultation on the National Health and Hospital Network have you had with the Department of Health and Ageing? Over what timeframe has the consultation taken place?

AHCRA has not been formally been consulted by the Dept of Health and Ageing regarding the National Health and Hospital Networks.

What level of consultation on the role of Medicare Locals have you had with the Australian General Practice Network? Over what timeframe has the consultation taken place?

AHCRA has not been formally been consulted by the Aust General Practice Network regarding the role of Medicare Locals. Due to limited resource capacity, AHCRA was not able to seek consultation with AGPN or Dept of Health and Ageing regarding the National Health and Hospital Network or Medicare Locals. However, ACHRA was consulted by an advisor from Minister Roxon's office in early 2010 and briefed personally by Minister Roxon in late March regarding the health reforms.