

**PARLIAMENTARY INQUIRY QUESTION ON NOTICE**

**Department of Health**

**Senate Select Committee on COVID-19**

**Australian Government's Response to the COVID-19 Pandemic**

**6 May 2020**

**PDR Number: IQ20-000094**

**Question Subject:** Minister briefing on recommendations

**Type of Questions:** Question in Writing

**Questioner:** Senator Patrick

**Question:**

Was the Minister for Health briefed on the outcomes and recommendations of the workshop? If so, when was that briefing provided to the Minister?

**Answer:**

The Chief Medical Officer provided regular verbal updates and briefing to the Minister on the process of the workshop and the development of the Australian Health Sector Emergency Response Plan for Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19 Plan). The Australian Health Protection Principal Committee endorsed the COVID-19 Plan on 17 February 2020.

On 18 February 2020 the COVID-19 Plan was published at [www.health.gov.au/sites/default/files/documents/2020/02/australian-health-sector-emergency-response-plan-for-novel-coronavirus-covid-19\\_2.pdf](http://www.health.gov.au/sites/default/files/documents/2020/02/australian-health-sector-emergency-response-plan-for-novel-coronavirus-covid-19_2.pdf)