

Please see our response in relation to the SA Government's statement regarding factual errors.

"South Australian Cancer Services have informed us that the information we provided on chemotherapy separations for that state is incorrect and that 46% of chemotherapy in that state is provided by the private sector. The data we used was obtained from the AIHW document Australian Hospital Statistics 2010-11, Tables S8.9 and S8.10, pages 217 and 218 of a 427 page document. We failed to appreciate the fifth dot point on page 140 that in South Australian public and private hospitals describe the same chemotherapy procedure differently, so public hospital activity in South Australia is not recorded in these Tables.

We would like it noted for the Senate Inquiry please that this matter clearly illustrates the need for consistent and transparent reporting of national data and CanSpeak has longed campaigned for this."

Kind regards
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