

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**Budget Estimates 2017 - 2018**

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**Senator:** Siewert

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**Question:**

Is this the most effective use of Commonwealth resources to reduce alcohol harm in the Northern Territory?

**Answer:**

The Minister for Indigenous Affairs, Senator the Hon Nigel Scullion, has noted that the process for seeking Commonwealth approval of Alcohol Management Plans (AMPs) was too difficult and therefore agreed to streamline the process in 2015. Under the streamlined process:

- community-owned AMPs can proceed without Commonwealth ministerial approval; and
- the Commonwealth Government is supporting communities so they can work directly with the Northern Territory Government to develop practical, local activities to reduce alcohol related harm.