

**Senate Standing Committee on Community Affairs**

**ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES – 24 FEBRUARY 2011  
ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE**

**Human Services Portfolio**

**Topic:** Grandparent Adviser Program

**Question reference number:** HS 14

**Senator:** Fierravanti-Wells

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**Question:**

- a) **Senator FIERRAVANTI-WELLS** - I have a question arising out of a referral to Centrelink this morning from human services. Can somebody help me with the grandparent's adviser program? It was implemented through your customer service centres in December 2010. I understand there are five advisers. Can you give me the background or take on notice why these five particular locations were chosen and how you came to the decision to choose these five?

**Mr Sandison** - In regard to the actual selection process I would have to take that on notice.

- b) **Senator FIERRAVANTI-WELLS** - could you also take on notice the data that was used to select these areas?

**Mr Sandison** - Certainly.

**Answer:**

- a) Refer to the answer to Question on Notice HS 20.
- b) The locations of the Grandparent Advisers were determined using the number of Grandparent Carers in the community, as identified from Centrelink data.