

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

Additional Estimates 2011-2012, 17 February 2012

Question: E12-392

OUTCOME 8: Indigenous Health

Topic: APPOINTMENT OF TOM CALMA AS NATIONAL COORDINATOR

Written Question on Notice

Senator Boyce asked:

In answer to Question E11-219, the Department notes that it “engaged a recruitment agency to conduct an executive recruitment process including national advertisement and approaches to key individuals for the position.”

- a) How many key individuals were approached?
- b) Who were these key individuals and were they selected by or in consultation with the Government? If so, who in Government was responsible for determining these key people?

Answer:

a) to b)

The recruitment agency approached a number of people in seeking to find suitable candidates. Some of these people were approached as candidates, and others as intermediaries to source additional candidates. The individual’s identities are not usually disclosed in order to protect their privacy.