Senate Community Affairs Committee ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO

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Senator Siewert asked:

Under the Remote Service Delivery National Partnership Agreement (RSD NPA), the Commonwealth was given responsibility to monitor the overall implementation of the Agreement, including the Bilateral Plans and local Implementation Plans (LIPs). Which Commonwealth agency has responsibility to monitor the overall implementation of RSD?

Answer:

The Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs is the lead Commonwealth agency for the purposes of the National Partnership Agreement on Remote Service Delivery.

Following agreement to the National Partnership Agreement, the independent statutory position of the Coordinator-General for Remote Indigenous Services was established by the Commonwealth. The Coordinator-General's role is set out in the *Coordinator-General for Remote Indigenous Services Act* 2009, and includes monitoring of the implementation of the Local Implementation Plans.