

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

Additional Estimates 2011-2012, 15 February 2012

Question: E12-003

OUTCOME 4: Aged Care and Population Ageing

Topic: AGED CARE COSTING AND EFFICIENCIES

Written Question on Notice

Senator Siewert asked:

What is the average amount of face to face time an older person in the highest care need group can expect to receive?

Answer:

The amount of face to face time received by older people in the highest care need group varies depending on their individual requirements. Under the *Aged Care Act 1997* and the *Quality of Care Principles 1997*, approved providers of aged care must ensure care provided meets the relevant Care Standards, taking into account each older person's individual needs.