

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

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Question: E12-019

OUTCOME 1: Population Health

Topic: ALCOHOL POLICY

Written Question on Notice

Senator Di Natale asked:

- a) Following the release of the report by Horizon into materials around the NHMRC Guidelines, indicated that the Australian Preventive Health Agency (ANPHA) would be 'considering the promotion of the Guidelines further'. Is ANPHA the sole agency tasked with promoting the alcohol guidelines:
- b) If the promotion of the Guidelines is the responsibility of ANPHA, can you indicate what specific resources have been allocated to ANPHA for this task?

Answer:

a) and b)  
Promotion of the Guidelines requires a collaborative effort, not by Government alone. The Guidelines are promoted through key partnerships and collaboration with Australian National Preventive Health Agency (ANPHA), state and territory Health Departments, and with non-government organisations such as the Foundation for Alcohol Research and Education, the Alcohol and other Drugs Council of Australia and the Australian National Council on Drugs. Whilst ANPHA doesn't have a specific remit to promote the Guidelines, their broader preventive work in relation to alcohol will build on its key messages and foundations.