

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

Additional Estimates 2011-2012, 15 February 2012

Question: E12-028

OUTCOME 1: Population Health

Topic: ORGAN DONATION

Written Question on Notice

Senator Di Natale asked:

Regarding Australia's targets for organ donation:

- a) What are Australia's overall organ donor targets for 2012, 2013 and 2014? What are the targets for each jurisdiction for 2012, 2013 and 2014?
- b) Are the OTA's targets based on the world's best performance?

Answer:

- a) The national organ donation target for 2012, as reported in the Organ and Tissue Authority's 2009-10 Annual Report, is 16 donors per million population. National and jurisdictional projected donation growth trajectories have been developed for consideration by Health Ministers. They will be reviewed annually, in light of each prior year's performance, to propose successive annual national and jurisdictional targets for consideration by Health Ministers. Following this process, the Australian Government intends to publish the annual national target for each calendar year.
- b) The national targets and projected donation growth trajectories are informed by world's best practice.