

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

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Question: E12-034

OUTCOME 3: Access to Medical Services

Topic: PROFESSIONAL SERVICES REVIEW (PSR) AGENCY

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Senator Di Natale asked:

What proportions of the referrals are from GP's, as opposed to other groups?

Answer:

The majority of referrals to the Professional Services Review (PSR) by the Department of Human Services are General Practitioners when compared to other health professionals.

Of the 320 matters referred to the PSR between 1 July 2006 and 31 January 2012, 92 per cent (295) were General Practitioners.