

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

Additional Estimates 2011-2012, 15 February 2012

Question: E12-046

OUTCOME 5: Primary Care

Topic: BLUE MOUNTAINS (SPRINGWOOD) GP SUPER CLINIC

Written Question on Notice

Senator Boyce asked:

- a) What specialist services are currently advertised as being available at the Springwood (Qld) Super Clinic?
- b) What specialist services are intended to be available at Springwood in the near future?

Answer:

- a) Springwood is the hub of the Blue Mountains GP Super Clinic hub and spoke model of health care. Specialist services currently advertised as being available at the Springwood hub include ophthalmology, psychology and cardiology.
- b) While a range of additional services are proposed for the Blue Mountains GP Super Clinic over time, including the Springwood hub, the nature and timing of these services are a matter for the operator of the Clinic, in line with the health needs and priorities of the local community and growth of the Clinic's patient base.