

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

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Question: E12-197

OUTCOME 10: Health System Capacity and Quality

Topic: EHEALTH

Written Question on Notice

Senator Boyce asked:

What governance and accountability measures are in place to support the proper spending and achievement of promised outcomes from the three lead E-Health sites?

Answer:

A tripartite funding agreement is in place between the Department of Health and Ageing (the Department), the National E-Health Transition Authority (NEHTA) and the lead eHealth sites. NEHTA's role is to oversee delivery of project requirements outlined in the tripartite funding agreements and ensure that the project objectives are met.

All Department funding agreements are in accordance with Commonwealth Government Procurement Guidelines.

Overall governance and accountability for the Personally Controlled Electronic Health Records (PCEHR) program is through the PCEHR Program Control Group.