

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

Additional Estimates 2011-2012, 15 February 2012

Question: E12-261

OUTCOME 0: Whole of Portfolio

Topic: NATIONAL HEALTH REFORM ENTERPRISE DATA WAREHOUSE PROGRAM

Written Question on Notice

Senator Fierravanti-Wells asked:

Please provide full details regarding the National Health Reform Enterprise Data Warehouse Program tender category 81111700 –Management Information System including:

- a) The nature of any contract.
- b) Work undertaken.
- c) Why was it contracted out.
- d) What expertise is lacking in house that requires this to work to be tendered out.
- e) Copy of any briefing notes provided on 11 August 2011.
- f) Value of the proposed contract.
- g) The contract coverage period.

Answer:

- a) The contract is to supply, implement and provide ongoing support for an Enterprise Data Warehouse capability.
- b) Work commenced on 3 January. As at 27 April, equipment has been supplied and installed in two data centre facilities, software is being installed and a development environment has been established, tested and conditionally accepted. Work continues on the establishment of the production environment, due to be tested and accepted by 30 June.
- c) An independent review undertaken recommended an outsourced approach as a lower risk approach to delivery of the required capability.
- d) The program requires delivery of a complex and integrated suite of hardware and software including the management of sub-contracts across a range of suppliers. The Department of Health and Ageing does not maintain an in-house capacity to undertake such a project.
- e) Attachment A is a copy of the presentation used to provide background to potential suppliers.
- f) The value of the contract is \$111,339,030 (GST inclusive).
- g) The contract period is 22 December 2011 to 30 June 2015, with options for two further two year extensions.