

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

Additional Estimates 2011-2012, 15 February 2012

Question: E12-280

OUTCOME 1: Population Health

Topic: INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE ON DRUGS

Written Question on Notice

Senator Fierravanti-Wells asked:

Further to the answer which was provided in response to Question E11-314 in relation to the Intergovernmental Committee on Drugs, please advise:

- a) Please provide the agendas and minutes of the Standing Committee on Alcohol?
- b) If the Government will not release the agendas and minutes, please provide details of the appropriate Freedom of Information process to obtain it?

Answer:

- a) The agendas and minutes of the Standing Committee on Alcohol meetings are not publicly available, and are committee-in-confidence.
- b) The Intergovernmental Committee on Drugs (IGCD) Standing Committee on Alcohol secretariat position, including record keeping is provided by the Western Australia Drug and Alcohol Office, and drop copies of the minutes are held by the IGCD secretariat, which is provided by the Commonwealth.

The appropriate process to access information under the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* can be made by sending a 'Request for access to documents under the *Freedom of Information Act 1982*' application form (available on the Department of Health and Ageing website at <http://www.health.gov.au/internet/main/publishing.nsf/Content/foi-about>) to the and sending it to the:

Freedom of Information Coordinator  
FOI Unit  
Department of Health and Ageing  
GPO Box 9848  
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