

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

Additional Estimates 2011-2012, 15 February 2012

Question: E12-351

OUTCOME 1: Population Health

Topic: PREVENTION AND COMMUNITY HEALTH COMMITTEE

Written Question on Notice

Senator Fierravanti-Wells asked:

In relation to the Prevention and Community Health Committee of the NHMRC, please provide details including:

- a) Who decided the membership of the Committee?
- b) What was the involvement of Minister Roxon and/or Parliamentary Secretary Butler, and/or their respective staff, in the selection or approval of the Committee members?
- c) Who applied to be a member of the PCHC?
- d) What is the remuneration of the members of the PCHC? Please provide details of remuneration to date for each member of the PCHC.

Answer:

- a) The then Parliamentary Secretary for Health, the Hon Mark Butler MP.
- b) Pursuant to Section 41(1)(c) of the *National Health and Medical Research Council Act 1992*, the role of the then Parliamentary Secretary for Health, the Hon Mark Butler MP, was to formally appoint members to the Prevention and Community Health Committee (PCHC).

Parliamentary Secretary Butler approved the membership of PCHC as proposed by the Office of the National Health and Medical Research Council following consultation with the Department of Health and Ageing.

- c) 123 people nominated for membership on PCHC.

The National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) considers that providing the details of the unsuccessful applicants would be a breach of confidence as the applicants would not have expected their names to be publicly released.

- d) Members of PCHC are paid a sitting fee and travel allowances in accordance with the determinations of the Remuneration Tribunal (Determination 2009/14, Determination 2010/11 and Determination 2011/09).

<b>PCHC Remuneration</b>	
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Period Start	1.07.2009
Period End	30.04.2012

<b>Name</b>	<b>Travel Allowance</b>
Prof Kerin O'Dea (Chair)	\$307.31
Prof Mike Daube	\$692.50
Prof Louise Baur	\$1,017.42
Prof David Roder	\$450.70
Mr Sebastian Rosenberg	nil
Dr Tony Hobbs	\$255.00
Dr Kylie Cripps	\$1,108.21
Dr Marlene Kong	\$554.20
Prof Ian Olver	nil
Prof Steve Wessinglingh	nil
Prof Melanie Wakefield	\$188.40

<b>Name</b>	<b>Salary/Sitting Fees</b>
Prof Kerin O'Dea (Chair)	\$154,635.74
Prof Mike Daube	\$4,522.00
Prof Louise Baur	\$6,213.00
Prof David Roder	\$5,036.00
Mr Sebastian Rosenberg	\$3,104.00
Dr Tony Hobbs	\$3,418.40
Dr Kylie Cripps	\$3,497.00
Dr Marlene Kong	\$2,334.00
Prof Ian Olver	\$3,902.00
Prof Steve Wesselingh	\$1,929.00
Prof Melanie Wakefield*	\$0.00

\* new member - declined fees