

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

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OUTCOME 10: Health System Capacity and Quality

Topic: EHEALTH

Written Question on Notice

Senator Fierravanti asked:

On what basis were the nine organisations selected to participate in the Wave 1 and Wave 2 lead implementation sites?

Answer:

There are twelve eHealth lead implementation sites - three wave 1 eHealth sites and nine wave 2 eHealth sites.

The three wave 1 eHealth sites were identified following the release of the National E-Health Strategy and the outcome of an eHealth readiness assessment. The Department of Health and Ageing and the National eHealth Transition Authority (NEHTA) identified these organisations as having a proven track record for successful delivery of eHealth projects involving strong clinical governance, population coverage and eHealth readiness. The organisations provided implementation plans, which were considered by both the NEHTA Board and the Department's PCEHR Program Control Group, prior to being approved by the Minister for Health and Ageing.

The selection of the nine wave 2 eHealth sites was through a competitive grants process.