

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

Additional Estimates 13 & 15 February 2013

Question: E13-047

OUTCOME 2: Access to Pharmaceutical Services

Topic: Myozyme, a Life Saving Drug Used to Treat Pompe Disease

Type of Question: Written Question on Notice

Senator: Senator Boyce

Question:

Adults who go onto Myozyme report a big improvement in their health to such an extent that when they are treated early enough they are able to function well and get on with their lives whereas prior to taking the drug, their functioning was progressively seriously impaired. Does this not demonstrate the effectiveness of the drug?

Answer:

Please refer to the answer provided to Question on Notice E13-045.