

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

Additional Estimates 13 & 15 February 2013

Question: E13-048

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:

Are you aware that Australia is one of the last industrialised nations not to fund access to Myozyme, which is funded in approximately 50 other countries including those with comparable systems such as England?

Answer:

Myozyme® is already funded through the Life Saving Drugs Program (LSDP) for the treatment of infantile-onset Pompe disease.