

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

**Additional Estimates 13 & 15 February 2013**

**Question:** E13-060

**OUTCOME 5:** Primary Care

**Topic:** QLD Super Clinics (Redcliffe)

**Type of Question:** Written Question on Notice

**Senator:** Senator Boyce

**Question:**

The Redcliffe five-storey GP super clinic is nothing more than a shell six years after it was pledged in the 2007 election campaign as one of four clinics to be built in Queensland. Can you detail exactly all the reasons why it is still not open for business?

**Answer:**

The establishment of GP Super Clinics, as for any multi-million dollar construction project, is heavily dependent on external factors, including identifying and finalising land, sourcing finance, local council planning and approval processes, availability of construction workforce, materials and weather conditions.

This particular clinic is built on Queensland Government land and as such, subject to Queensland Government approvals. The Department of Health and Ageing is working with Queensland Health and Metro North Hospital and Health Service to finalise the arrangements and get services up and running as soon as possible.