

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

Additional Estimates 13 and 15 February 2013

Question: E13-120

OUTCOME 0: Whole of Portfolio

Topic: Grants

Type of Question: Written Question on Notice

Senator: Senator Boyce

Question:

- a) Could the department/agency provide a list of all grants, including ad hoc and one-off grants for this financial year to date? Please provide details of the recipients, the amount, the intended use of the grants and what locations have benefited from the grants.
- b) Have all grant agreement details been published on its website within the required timeframe? If not, provide details.
- c) Provide a list of grants that your department/agency administers that had uncommitted grants funding reduced as per the statement by the Finance Minister on 22 October 2012 (see http://www.financeminister.gov.au/media/2012/mr_2102012.html). How much was funding reduced for grant?

Answer:

- a) Yes. A listing of the Department of Health and Ageing's grants, including ad hoc and one-off grants, for this financial year to date, is publicly available on the Department's Internet site (<http://health.gov.au/internet/main/publishing.nsf/Content/pfps-grantsreporting>). This listing contains 4896 records and includes the details of new grants and financial variations to active grant arrangements.
- b) No. Identified breaches will be checked and reviewed, and reported as part of the 2012-13 Certificate of Compliance return and subsequently tabled in Parliament.
- c) Funding for the Partners in Recovery (PIR): Coordinated Support and Flexible Funding for People with Severe and Persistent Mental Illness with Complex Needs Initiative, was reduced by \$5 million in 2012-13. The reduction reflected an estimated potential underspend.