

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

**Additional Estimates 13 & 15 February 2013**

**Question:** E13-134

**OUTCOME 11:** Mental Health

**Topic:** Mental Health Nurse Incentive Program (MHNIP)

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**Senator:** Senator Wright

**Question:**

For clarification, I might ask you to ascertain the amount of those claims that were paid at that date (31 December 2012), allowing for the fact there may be some pending. Also, if you could look at today's date for claims in relation to sessions up to and including 31 December, if you understand what I am saying?

**Answer:**

In accordance with data supplied by the Department of Human services, as at 31 December 2012, \$16.67 million has been expended on sessions conducted between 1 July and 31 December 2012, and a further \$1.08 million has been expended on sessions delivered up to 31 December 2012, but claimed and paid between 1 January and 22 February 2013.