

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

Additional Estimates 13 & 15 February 2013

Question: E13-160

OUTCOME 1: Population Health

Topic: Antimicrobial Resistance

Type of Question: Written Question on Notice

Senator: Senator Di Natale

Question:

How, specifically, will the work of the Committee intersect with the current Senate Inquiry into the progress in the implementation of the recommendations of the 1999 Joint Expert Technical Advisory Committee on Antibiotic Resistance? What specific protocols and procedures exist to incorporate the submissions and findings of the Inquiry?

Answer:

The Antimicrobial Resistance Standing Committee will review the findings from the current Senate Inquiry at its next meeting (date to be determined).

The Committee is able to provide advice to the Australian Health Protection Principal Committee and via the Commonwealth Chief Medical Officer and Commonwealth Chief Veterinary Officer to the Antimicrobial Resistance Prevention and Containment Steering Group.