

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

Additional Estimates 13 & 15 February 2013

Question: E13-167

OUTCOME 10: Health System Capacity and Quality

Topic: eHealth

Type of Question: Written Question on Notice

Senator: Senator Boyce

Question:

- a) Is the 'Audit Trail' of the PCEHR, functioning, is it working fully?
- b) What are the consequences for those who have signed up for a PCEHR if it's not working or not working properly?
- c) Could failures in the audit trail software lead to major breaches of client privacy?

Answer:

- a) The 'Audit Trail' is fully functioning.
- b) N/A
- c) Apart from the 'Audit Trail', there are a range of legislative and system measures in place to protect a patient's privacy.