

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**

**ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**HEALTH PORTFOLIO**

**Additional Estimates 2014 - 2015, 25 February 2015**

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**OUTCOME:** 5 - Primary Health Care

**Topic:** National Maternity Services Plan

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**Senator:** Waters, Larissa

**Question:**

On the funding for the plan, I recollect that there was about \$120 million allocated in the 2010—11 budget that I believe was for the full implementation of the plan...

- a) I am interested I how much of that initial allocation has been spent;
- b) what is left; and
- c) whether it is intended to spend that remainder on the plan itself

**Answer:**

a) to c)

There was an allocation of \$120.5 million in the 2010-11 Budget.

\$120 million was allocated to Medicare Benefit Schedule items for maternity services. The remaining \$500,000 has been allocated to implement the actions items under the National Maternity Services Plan.