

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Topic: Dementia and National Strategic Framework for Chronic Conditions

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Question:

Minister Wyatt stated during question time on 16 February 2017 in relation to the lack of a National Dementia strategy that “in early 2017 we will release the new national strategic framework for chronic conditions”. The Department’s website (www.health.gov.au/internet/main/publishing.nsf/content/nsfcc) however says the Framework will be completed in late 2016. What is the reason for this delay?

Answer:

The National Strategic Framework for Chronic Conditions (the Framework) was endorsed by the Australian Health Ministers’ Advisory Council at its 2 December 2016 meeting. The Framework was then progressed to COAG Health Council out-of-session for endorsement by all Health Ministers. The Framework was endorsed by all Health Ministers in February 2017 and arrangements for the public release of the Framework are currently being progressed.