

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**

**ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**HEALTH PORTFOLIO**

**Additional Estimates 2016 - 2017, 1 March 2017**

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**OUTCOME:** 2 - Health Access and Support Services

**Topic:** Fifth National Mental Health Plan

**Type of Question:** Written Question on Notice

**Senator:** O'Neill, Deborah

**Question:**

Have any consultants worked on the Fifth Mental Health Plan? If yes, how many consultants worked on the plan? Can the Department provide a list, to date, of consultants who worked on the plan? What was the cost of hiring the consultants? Whose decision was it to use consultants?

**Answer:**

Yes. Four consultants have worked on the Fifth National Mental Health Plan (the Fifth Plan). A list of the consultants and the associated costs is provided in the table below. The Mental Health Drug and Alcohol Principal Committee (MHDAPC) of the Australian Health Ministers' Advisory Council (AHMAC) is responsible for developing the Fifth Plan, including decisions on the use of consultants.

<b>Consultant</b>	<b>Contract value (GST inclusive)</b>
Limen Health Care Consulting Pty Ltd	\$3,000.00
Nous Group Pty Ltd	\$215,001.00
Kumano Consulting Pty Ltd	\$40,909.38
David McGrath Consulting	\$146,800.00
	\$26,400.00*

\* Contract included a number of services, including those related to the development of the Fifth Plan.