

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

Cross Portfolio Indigenous Hearing 2010-2011, 3 June 2011

Question: E11-165

OUTCOME 8: Indigenous Health

Topic: FUNDING FOR ABORIGINAL HEALTH SERVICES

Written Question on Notice

Senator Boyce asked:

What process and criteria is used by OATSIH in deciding successful applications by Aboriginal Health Services seeking funding to provide staff housing?

Answer:

The Office of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health (OATSIH) has no formal Capital Works Program, although some OATSIH Programs have a capital component. Capital works projects are primarily funded through OATSIH Programs and Budget Measures, with funds allocated in accordance with the specific Program/Measure criteria, including relative need, and within the limitations of available funding.