

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

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Question: E11 - 503

OUTCOME 11: Mental Health

Topic: HEADSPACE

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Senator Fierravanti-Wells asked:

The original headspace Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander strategy was developed in 2008. They developed an initial strategy and they are currently in the process of establishing an Aboriginal and Torres Strait islander advisory group

- a) What is the timing on that?
- b) In view of the additional headspaces that are proposed, one would probably think that the strategy would need to be in place before you roll out another 30. If you could take that on notice as well.

Answer:

- a) headspace has advised that it has established an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander taskforce which met in March and May 2011.
- b) The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander strategy of 2008 has been reviewed by the taskforce with a report on action achieved to date and priorities going forward developed by the taskforce for the headspace company.