

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

Budget Estimates 2012-2013, 30 & 31 May and 1 June 2012

Question: E12-300

OUTCOME 3: Access to Medical Services

Topic: Medicare Benefits – Decisions of Medical Services Advisory Committee (MSAC)

Type of Question: Written Question on Notice

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Senator: Senator Fierravanti-Wells

Question:

Why can it take over six months to administratively process an application that has Ministerial approval? What (specifically) occurs during the Implementation Phase (between Ministerial Approval and MBS listing)? What are the specific tasks required during the Implementation Phase by department and agency? What is the average processing time with each department and agency?

Answer:

Please refer to the response provided to question on notice E12-221.