Senate Community Affairs Committee ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO

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Senator Xenophon asked:

What early intervention services are available for children and families living in rural and remote areas?

Answer:

FaHCSIA Service Providers offer early intervention services to rural and remote Australia under the Helping Children with Autism Package and the Better Start Initiative.

Children who live in outer regional and remote areas are eligible for an additional outer regional and remote access payment of \$2,000 to facilitate service access.