

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

National e-Health Transition Authority (NeHTA)

Budget Estimates 2012-13

Question: 45

OUTCOME 10.2: e-Health

Topic: eHealth software

Senator Boyce asked:

During the recent estimates Mr Fleming was asked the following;

“As of July 1, will a GP be able to purchase GP Practice Management software that will enable access to the PCEHR?” The question, which is simple enough, was not answered. Could please answer yes or no to the question put?

Answer:

GPs will receive PCEHR compliant upgrades to their existing software under their existing licence arrangements with their vendors, and do not need to purchase new software, unless they are using a legacy system that is no longer being upgraded by their vendor (and in which case they would need to purchase new software regardless of the PCEHR).