

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

Budget Estimates 2013-14, 5/6 & 7 June 2013

Question: E13-031

OUTCOME: 11 - Mental Health

Topic: Mental Health Nurse Incentive Program

Type of Question: Written Question on Notice

Senator: Wright

Question:

- a) What is the total funding for the Mental Health Nurse Incentive Program (MHNIP) in 2012-13?
- b) What is the total number of sessions allocated in 2012-13, and how many sessions have been used to date?
- c) What are the percentages of organisations trending below, and above, the expected level in terms of session allocation?

Answer:

- a) The total funding for the Mental Health Nurse Incentive Program in 2012-13 is \$39.7 million.
- b) The total number of sessions allocated in 2012-13 was 160,035. Of these, 111,884 sessions had been used as at 30 April 2013.
- c) 47.5 per cent of organisations were trending more than 10 per cent below the expected level of session allocation usage as at 30 April 2013. 5.5 per cent of organisations were trending more than 10 per cent above the expected level of session allocation usage as at 30 April 2013.