Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

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OUTCOME: 10 - Health System Capacity and Quality

Topic: eHealth

Type of Question: Written Question on Notice

Senator: Boyce

Question:

- a) What inducements are being offered to encourage PCEHR sign-ups?
- b) Does that include the orange and white uniforms of the roaming sign-up squad from ASPEN?
- c) How much is the cost of the Aspen contract?
- d) How much would be the outlay per PCEHR signature?

Answer:

a) to d)

The Department of Health and Ageing does not offer inducements to encourage Personally Controlled Electronic Health Record (PCEHR) sign-ups.

The Department offers consumers' five channels through which consumers can register for a PCEHR: online, over the phone; in writing; by visiting a Department of Human Services service centre; or Assisted Registration.

McKinsey & Co., as the Department's National Change and Adoption Partner, have contracted Aspen Medical to offer Assisted Registrations in a variety of healthcare settings across the country.

Particulars of the contract between McKinsey & Co and Aspen Medical are commercial-in-confidence.