Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

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OUTCOME: 5 - Primary Care

Topic: GP Super Clinics

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Senator: Fierravanti-Wells

Question:

With the GP Super Clinics that are under construction, are any of them currently not meeting their milestones under their individual funding agreements?

Answer:

As of 26 June 2013, there are 16 GP Super Clinics under construction. The majority of these sites are on track with current milestone dates. The small number that are not on track with the funding agreement milestones will have variations to the funding agreement to bring the dates in line with the latest agreed schedule.

Milestone dates in funding agreements are based on the construction plan timelines and will change, as with any multi-million dollar construction project. Adhering to timeframes is heavily dependent on external factors, they such as local council planning and approval processes, availability of construction workforce, materials and weather conditions.