

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

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

Question: E13-229

OUTCOME: 12 - Health Workforce Capacity

Topic: Health Workforce

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Senator: Fierravanti-Wells

Question:

- a) Can you clarify how this figure was derived?
- b) Can you confirm that the \$5.6 billion is not exclusively for rural health professionals as the statement seems to suggest?

Answer:

- a) The \$5.6 billion is the total funding allocated under Outcome 12 – Health Workforce Capacity for the period 2012-13 to 2015-16.
- b) The funding is not exclusively for rural health professionals, but almost all programs funded under Outcome 12 have a rural distribution element.