

## **Australian Government**

## Department of Health and Ageing

Dr Ian Holland Secretary Senate Community Affairs Committee Parliament House CANBERRA ACT 2066

Dear Dr Holland

## Request for Amendment to Evidence Provided at the Senate Community Affairs Committee Budget Estimates Hearing, 5 June 2013: Outcome 13.3

I am writing to correct a statement that I made at Budget Estimates of the Senate Community Affairs Committee on 5 June 2013.

Senator Carol Brown asked the following question:

"I want to ask a general question about the funding that is provided under our national partnership agreements and the National Health Reform Agreement. Are you able to give me some details, state by state, about what funding the Commonwealth provides?"

## My response was as follows:

"In 2013-14 for New South Wales it is \$4.485 billion under the National Health Reform specific purpose payment. I might deal with National Health Reform first and then come back to the national partnership agreements. For Victoria it is \$3.487 billion; for Queensland it is \$2.831 billion; Western Australia, \$1.535 billion; South Australia, \$1.014 billion; Tasmania, \$310 million; the ACT, \$233 million; and the Northern Territory, \$144 million—giving a national total of \$14.040 billion. In 2014-15 for New South Wales it is \$4.927 billion; Victoria, \$3.846 billion; Queensland, \$3.130 billion; Western Australia, \$1.724 billion; South Australia, \$1.126 billion; Tasmania, \$339 million; ACT, \$271 million; and Northern Territory, \$168 million—a national total of \$15.531 billion. In 2015-16, New South Wales, \$5.410 billion; Victoria, \$4.240 billion; Queensland, \$3.457 billion; Western Australia, \$1.933 billion; South Australia, \$1.248 billion; Tasmania, \$370 million; ACT, \$312 million; and Northern Territory, \$195 million—a national total of \$17.164 billion. Finally, in 2016-17 New South Wales is \$5.939 billion; Victoria is \$4.673 billion; Queensland is \$3.816 billion; Western Australia, \$2.163 billion; South Australia, \$1.382 billion; Tasmania, \$403 million; ACT, \$357 million; and Northern Territory \$223 million—a national total of \$18,956 billion. For the figures that I will give you for national partnership agreement, I will need to go to a different page."

It has been brought to my notice that two of the figures had been rounded incorrectly and the response should now be amended as follows (changes are underlined):

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Yours sincerely

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