

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH PORTFOLIO

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OUTCOME: 3 - Access to Medical and Dental Services

Topic: Medicare Locals

Type of Question: Written Question on Notice

Senator: McLucas, Jan

Question:

How many Medicare Locals will close?

Answer:

Commonwealth funding to Medicare Locals will cease on 30 June 2015 with the establishment of Primary Health Networks.

Medicare Locals are independent entities limited by guarantee and future business decisions are a matter for the Boards of each Medicare Local.