

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**

**ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**HEALTH PORTFOLIO**

**Budget Estimates 2014 - 2015, 2/3 June 2014**

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**OUTCOME:** 0 - Whole of Portfolio

**Topic:** Appointments

**Type of Question:** Written Question on Notice

**Senator:** Ludwig, Joe

**Question:**

1. Please detail any board appointments made from Additional Estimates in February 2014 to date.
  - a) What is the gender ratio on each board and across the portfolio?
  - b) Does the department have a gender ratio target and/or any other policy intended to increase the participation rate of women on boards? If yes, please specify what the target and policy is for each board.
  - c) Please specify when these gender ratio or participation policies were put in place.
  - d) Has there been any change to this ratio or policy since September 7, 2013? If yes, please detail.

**Answer:**

1. Health portfolio board appointments made between 1 February 2014 and 19 June 2014:

<b>Agency</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Name</b>
Australian Sports Anti Doping Authority Anti Doping Rule Violation Panel	Member	Dr Peter Fricker
Australian Sports Anti Doping Authority Anti Doping Rule Violation Panel	Member	Mr Paul Carey

<b>Agency</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Name</b>
Australian Sports Anti Doping Authority Anti Doping Rule Violation Panel	Member	Mr Stuart Thorn PSM
Australian Sports Anti Doping Authority Australian Sports Drug Medical Advisory Committee	Chair	Dr Susan White
Australian Sports Anti Doping Authority Australian Sports Drug Medical Advisory Committee	Member	Dr Charles Howse
Australian Sports Commission	Deputy Chair	Mr David Gallop
Australian Sports Foundation	Director	Mr Kenneth John Ryan
Australian Sports Foundation	Acting chairperson	Ms Margaret Osmond
Australian Sports Foundation	Director	Ms Margaret Osmond
National Mental Health Commission	Commissioner	Ms Lucinda Brogden
National Mental Health Commission	Commissioner	Professor Ian Hickie AM
National Mental Health Commission	Commissioner	The Hon Kay Patterson

a) Gender ratio on each board:

Board	Current Gender Ratio	
	Male	Female
Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care Board	4	4
Australian Institute of Health and Welfare Board (Director included on Board)	7	7
Australian National Preventive Health Agency Advisory Council	4	6
Australian Organ and Tissue Donation and Transplantation Authority Advisory Council	7	6
Australian Sports Commission	6	5
Australian Sports Foundation	1	2
Australian Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety Agency – Radiation Health and Safety Advisory Council (CEO included on Board)	9	4
Cancer Australia Advisory Council	4	6
Food Standards Australia New Zealand Board (CEO included on Board)	7	5
General Practice Education and Training Limited Board	6	6
Health Workforce Australia Board	1	3
Independent Hospital Pricing Authority	7	1
National Blood Authority Board	1	3
National Health and Medical Research Council	12	11
National Health Performance Authority	5	2
National Mental Health Commission	3	4
Private Health Insurance Administration Council	4	1
Totals across the portfolio	88	76
Percentage	53.65%	46.35%

b) The department is committed to a gender balance target of 40% women, 40% men and 20% either gender for the 2013-2014 financial year.

c) The gender diversity target was first introduced by the former Australian Government in 2010.

d) No.