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: GP Co-payment and Mental Illness

Type of Question: Written Question on Notice

Senator: McLucas, Jan

Question:

Will the co-payment be charged for mental health items such as GP mental health care plans and reviews?

Answer:

No. The patient contribution Budget measure will not apply to Medicare Benefits Schedule GP mental health items, such as mental health treatment plans and reviews.