

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Question:

What was the process that lead to the instigation of the development of the National Mental Health Services Planning Framework?

Answer:

The development of the National Mental Health Service Planning Framework is an action under the Fourth National Mental Health Plan 2009-2014 (the Fourth Plan). Under Priority Area Three, 'Service access, coordination and continuity of care', the Fourth Plan identifies for action: "Develop a national service planning framework that establishes targets for the mix and level of the full range of mental health services, backed by innovative funding models."