Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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OUTCOME: 5 – Primary Health Care

Topic: National Mental Health Commission Staff Turnover

Type of Question: Written Question on Notice

Senator: McLucas, Jan

Question:

What is the staff turnover rate at the Commission? Mr Butt indicated that he would take this question on notice - refer page 106 of 2/6/14 estimates transcript.

Answer:

From 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014 eight people out of 15 positions, left the National Mental Health Commission (the Commission) to pursue other opportunities both within and external to the public service. It reflects that as the Commission moved away from its establishment phase, where several staff were appointed temporarily, by late 2012 a recruitment process resulted in more ongoing staff starting with the Commission.