

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH PORTFOLIO

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Senator: Wright, Penny

Question:

(to Senator Nash) Minister, given that consideration of various mental health programs and so on, as we have already heard today, has been deferred in this budget pending the outcome of the review, how will the commission's report influence government funding of mental health into the future? I am interested in knowing what the process will be once the report is received.

Answer:

The Government will consider the final report by the National Mental Health Commission (due on 30 November 2014).