

**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:** 4 - Acute Care

**Topic:** Northern Territory: Palmerston Hospital

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**Senator:** Peris, Nova

**Question:**

On 19 May the NT Chief Minister raised concerns about the future of Palmerston Hospital, given the Commonwealth health cuts. Have there been any discussions between the Commonwealth and NT governments?

**Answer:**

On 4 June 2014, the Minister for Health, the Hon Peter Dutton MP, formally offered a Project Agreement to the Hon Robyn Lambley MLA, Northern Territory Minister for Health, for the Palmerston Hospital project. This Project Agreement includes additional Commonwealth funding of \$40 million for this project as announced in the 2014-15 Budget.