

**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:** Dental Care

**Type of Question:** Written Question on Notice

**Senator:** Di Natale, Richard

**Question:**

Has the \$10.5 million National Oral Health Promotion Plan, as outlined in the 2013-14 Budget, been terminated? If so, what is the Government's Oral Promotional Plan?

**Answer:**

Yes.

In 2013 the Standing Council on Health, through the Australian Health Ministers' Advisory Council, asked the National Oral Health Plan Monitoring Group to develop a new National Oral Health Plan for 2014-2023. The Monitoring Group has prepared a new draft Plan which will be considered through the COAG Health Council process in the near future. The draft Plan includes oral health promotion activities.