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: Child Dental Benefits Schedule – Promotion

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Question:

Do you know whether there has been any promotion of the scheme through DHS in the last 12 months?

Answer:

The Department of Health has been advised by the Department of Human Services (DHS) that it has undertaken the following promotional activities for the Child Dental Benefits Schedule (CDBS) over the last 12 months:

- Notification letters advising children and families of eligibility loaded into individuals' myGov accounts or mailed to their contact address;
- Annual mailout to eligible dental providers informing them of the programme and including CDBS brochures for their customers;
- Publication of web site material for individuals and dentists; and
- Publication of CDBS eLearning modules for dentists on the DHS website.