Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH PORTFOLIO

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OUTCOME: 5 - Primary Health Care

Topic: Primary Health Networks

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Senator: Xenophon, Nick

Question:

In terms of general principles, if there are tenders or applications to run two Medicare Locals, and they happen to be run by domestic partners or husband and wife—I am not saying you should not be able to do that—is that sort of relationship the sort of thing you would want to know about—just by a disclosure? I am not saying you should preclude someone, but is that the sort of thing that might be relevant? You might want to take it on notice, but if I was to suggest to you that that was something that ordinarily ought to be disclosed, would that seem unreasonable to you?

Answer:

See response to Question on Notice SQ15-000632.