

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**SOCIAL SERVICES PORTFOLIO**  
**2015-16 Budget Estimates Hearings**

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**Senator Rachel Siewert asked:**

How is the Commonwealth invoiced by state disability services for the latter continuing to support older people with disability past the age of 65 years?

**Answer:**

The Commonwealth is invoiced by the states and territories for delivering specialist disability services to older people (aged 65 years and over, and Indigenous Australians aged 50 years and over) through programmes run by the states and territories. Costs of state and territory run programmes vary and are in accordance with individual programme service offers and arrangements.