

Senate Community Affairs Committee

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Senator: Siewert, Rachel

Question:

Dr Studdert: We undertook to get the names of the three PHNs that have commissioned residential rehab services. I believe we have those details now for you.

Mr Laffan: There are six PHNs who are providing residential rehab and withdrawal services: Central Queensland; Darling Downs; Hunter New England; Murray, North Coast; and Country WA.

Senator SIEWERT: Do you know where the country one in WA is?

Mr Laffan: I would hesitate to answer that; I am not entirely sure.

Senator SIEWERT: Country WA is a humongous area.

Mr Laffan: It is very large, yes.

Senator SIEWERT: I am sorry to be difficult. If you could actually tell us the locations—

Dr Studdert: We will try and get the locations.

Senator SIEWERT: that would be great. Thank you.

Answer:

As at 5 June 2017, Country WA PHN has commissioned:

- a withdrawal management service in Northam, WA which is currently delivering to the Wheatbelt region. This service is being funded for both mainstream and Indigenous-specific activities.
- a withdrawal management service in the South Hedland, WA which is currently delivering to the Pilbara region and also provides brief intervention and counselling activities. This service is being funded for both mainstream and Indigenous-specific activities.