

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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OUTCOME: 2 - Health Access and Support Services

Topic: E-Health Records

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Senator: Polley, Helen

Question:

Last year's trial of the opt-out My Health Record had no impact in increasing the uptake of the My Health Record system among residential aged care facilities in either of the two regions participating. What is the government doing to facilitate the uptake of the My Health Record system among residential aged care providers?

Answer:

Primary Health Networks engaged with residential aged care facilities during the trial period. They provided training and information resources and helped to map the use of the My Health Record system into their facilities. The Australian Digital Health Agency, in implementing opt out participation arrangements for the My Health Record, will be engaging with the aged care sector to facilitate uptake and usage.