

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

Supplementary Budget Estimates 2010-2011, 20 October 2010

Question: E10-015

OUTCOME 13: Acute Care

Topic: HAEMOPHILIA FOUNDATION OF AUSTRALIA (HFA)

Written Question on Notice

Senator Siewert asked:

The Government has indicated it will continue to support the work of the Haemophilia Foundation of Australia. Can the NBA outline the extent of Government support and the priority activities for the coming year?

Answer:

The HFA is relevant to the haemophilia community in its role as an advocate and maintaining the collective intelligence and information on Australian and international haemophilia matters. It provides a single point of contact for the community and the Department and is well supported by its community and those who seek advice from it.

The Department of Health and Ageing has funded HFA since 1985. During 2010-11 HFA will receive:

- \$180,349 (GST inclusive), under the Community Sector Support Scheme (CSSS) to support its national secretariat activities; and
- \$162,270 (GST inclusive), under the Blood and Organ Support Services Program to:
 - assist people with haemophilia, von Willebrand Disorder and other related haemorrhagic and coagulation disorders; and
 - assist the special interest health professional groups auspiced by HFA to support best practice care and treatment of people with those diseases.

Future funding amounts are not available as funding is determined on an annual basis.