

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

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OUTCOME 5: Primary Care

Topic: GP SUPER CLINICS

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Senator Fierravanti-Wells asked:

How many of the super clinics bulk-bill concession card holders and children under the age of 16 years?

Answer:

Based on the latest advice from the seven GP Super Clinics currently in operation, five Clinics bulk-bill concession card holders and children under the age of 16 years (being: Strathpine and Ipswich in Queensland; Port Stephens in New South Wales; Ballan in Victoria and Palmerston in the Northern Territory).

The Geelong (Vic) GP Super Clinic provides bulk billing services at the doctor's discretion.

The Devonport (Tas) GP Super Clinic bulk bills all chronic disease management, enhanced primary care and preventative visits, along with follow-up visits relating to the initial consultation. Other services at the Devonport GP Super Clinic are bulk billed at the doctor's discretion.