

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

Supplementary Budget Estimates 2010-2011, 20 October 2010

Question: E10-195

OUTCOME 0: Whole of Portfolio

Topic: CONSULTANCIES

Written Question on Notice

Senator Fierravanti-Wells asked:

- a) How much has the Department spent on consultancy services since Budget Estimates 2010? Please identify the name of the consultant, the subject matter of the consultancy, the duration and cost of the contract, and the method of procurement (ie. open tender, direct source, etc).
- b) How can the department justify this expenditure?

Answer:

- a) Between 1 May 2010 and 31 October 2010, the Department of Health and Ageing has spent \$23,938,000.33 (inc GST) on 379 separate consultancies. A complete list of these consultancies is provided at Attachment A, and includes:
  - Consultant's Name;
  - Consultancy Subject Matter;
  - Contract Duration;
  - 1 May 2010 to 31 October 2010 Expenditure;
  - Contract Value; and
  - Procurement Method.
- b) The intended use for the outputs of all of the consultancies is to inform the development, implementation and/or review of programs and policies in order to ensure that the policy intent continues to be achieved.