

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

Supplementary Budget Estimates 2010-2011, 20 October 2010

Question: E10-196

OUTCOME 0: Whole of Portfolio

Topic: CONSULTANCIES

Written Question on Notice

Senator Fierravanti-Wells asked:

How many consultancies have been undertaken or are underway 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). Please also include total value for all consultancies, including figures for total spending on consultancies and also value of contracts awarded. Provide total figures since Budget Estimates 2010 and a breakdown on these figures for FY 2008/09 and 2009/10 FYTD.

Answer:

Between 21 May 2010 and 31 October 2010, 277 new consultancies had commenced. As at 21 May 2010, there were 311 active consultancies. A list of all 588 consultancies is provided at Attachment A, and includes:

- Consultant's Name;
- Consultancy Subject Matter;
- Contract Duration;
- Contract Value;
- Procurement Method;
- 2008/09 Expenditure;
- 2009/10 Expenditure; and
- 1 May 2010 to 31 October 2010 Expenditure.

Expenditure for the listed consultancies over the 2008-09 financial year was \$6,188,794.77 (inc GST). Expenditure over the 2009-10 financial year was \$27,000,482.21 (inc GST). Between 1 May 2010 and 31 October 2010, the Department spent \$23,938,000.33 (inc GST) on consultancies.