

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

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Question: E10-291

OUTCOME 4: Aged Care and Population Ageing

Topic: TEACHING NURSING HOMES

Written Question on Notice

Senator Fierravanti-Wells asked:

In relation to Teaching Nursing Homes, please advise:

- a) What is the criteria for establishing the same?
- b) Where is that criteria located? Please provide a copy.
- c) Have any homes been identified and what was the process and criteria used to do that?
- d) How many teaching nursing homes are intended to be established?
- e) What process of consultation will be undertaken with the sector in relation to the same?

Answer:

- a) A brief scoping study is being undertaken to inform development of funding criteria for Teaching Nursing Homes.
- b) The funding criteria will be made public as part of the funding application process.
- c) As part of the scoping study a number of residential aged care homes have been identified for the purpose of documenting current activities that may fall within the scope of Teaching Nursing Homes. These facilities were identified through research conducted by the Department of Health and Ageing as well as through consultation with the Aged Care Workforce Committee. It should be noted that these services have not been identified for funding purposes.
- d) The number of services to be funded through the Teaching Nursing Home initiative will be influenced by the number and quality of funding applications received as well as by available resources.
- e) Consultation regarding the Teaching Nursing Homes initiative will primarily occur through the Aged Care Workforce and Aged Care Consultative Committees.