

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

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Question: E10-307

OUTCOME 5: Primary Care

Topic: GP SUPER CLINICS

Written Question on Notice

Senator Fierravanti-Wells asked:

- a) What impact have these clinics had on the burden of chronic disease in the Australian community?
- b) How does the Department measure the impact these clinics have on tackling chronic disease?

Answer:

a and b)

GP Super Clinics provide a greater focus on chronic disease prevention and management. One of the objectives of the GP Super Clinics Program is to provide patients with well integrated multidisciplinary patient centred care, including supporting patients with, or at risk of, chronic disease(s). The Department is developing an evaluation framework for the GP Super Clinics Program which will measure the impact of the GP Super Clinics in meeting each program objective. GP Super Clinics have so far provided over 265,000 services across the country.