

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

Supplementary Budget Estimates 2010-11, 20 October 2010

Question: E10-374

OUTCOME 10: Health System Capacity and Quality

Topic: HEALTH AND HOSPITALS FUND

Written Question on Notice

Senator Fierravanti-Wells asked:

- a) Can private hospitals apply to the Health and Hospitals Fund: Regional Priority Round (Round 3)?
- b) Does the department want private hospitals to apply to the Regional Priority Round?
- c) Were private hospitals eligible to apply for round 1 and 2 funding?
- d) How many private hospitals applied?
- e) How many private hospitals were successful in gaining round 1 and 2 funding?
- f) How many public hospitals were successful in gaining round 1 and 2 funding?
- g) Is there a disparity in terms of the number of applications by public and private hospitals and the number of grants awarded?
- h) Why does this disparity exist?

Answer:

- a) Yes.
- b) Yes. A national invitation to apply for funding was advertised on 1 and 2 October 2010 which outlined that hospitals, primary and community care facilities (including multi-purpose services), health research institutes and universities were eligible to apply for funding.
- c) Yes.
- d) Please refer to the answer to question E10-082.
- e) Please refer to the answer to question E10-082.
- f) Please refer to the answer to question E10-082.
- g) Please refer to the answer to question E10-082.
- h) Please refer to the answer to question E10-082.