Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

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OUTCOME 10: Health System Capacity and Quality

Topic: HEALTH AND HOSPITALS FUND (HHF)

Written Question on Notice

Senator Fierravanti-Wells asked:

- a) After assessing round 3 applications, will the Department inform unsuccessful applicants of the outcome in timely fashion?
- b) Will the Department provide formal written feedback to unsuccessful applicants as to why their application was not successful?
- c) Will the Department give an indication to unsuccessful applicants as to how their application did relative to others? ie. Was it close to getting funding, or required much more work?
- d) When will the outcome of the regional priority round be announced?

Answer:

- a) Yes.
- b) Unsuccessful applicants will be offered the opportunity to receive feedback from the Department.
- c) Applications are considered on their own merit by the HHF Advisory Board in relation to whether or not they satisfy the evaluation criteria. They are not compared with others.
- d) Announcement of the Regional Priority Round outcomes is a matter for the Government.