Senate Community Affairs Committee

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HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

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Question: E10-405

OUTCOME 1: Population Health

Topic: PANDEMIC INFLUENZA VACCINATION SURVEY

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Senator Fierravanti-Wells asked:

- a) What was the number of people that AIHW surveyed for the pandemic influenza vaccination survey?
- b) What was the cost of the pandemic influenza vaccination survey?
- c) You published your preliminary results in February 2010, your draft report in late March 2010 and your final report in May-June 2010; is that the case? Can you give a timeline on AIHW involvement in and work done in relation to the pandemic vaccination survey?
- d) In answering your questions on the survey, did you ask people things like, 'How did you hear about the vaccine?' Did you ask that sort of question? 'How did you become aware that there was a vaccine'; you did not ask that sort of question?

Answer:

- a) A total of 6,226 completed interviews were obtained for the Pandemic Vaccination Survey, spread across the eight states and territories. More details on the demographic breakdown of the sample and uptake results are in the published report: http://www.aihw.gov.au/publications/index.cfm/title/12096
- b) The AIHW price for conducting the Pandemic Vaccination Survey was \$198,972 (GST inclusive). This covers management and reporting of the survey, and includes the data collection component subcontracted to The Social Research Centre for a fee of \$137,427.
- c) A timeline of AIHW involvement in the Pandemic Vaccination Survey is in the following table.

Activity	Date
AIHW contracted by the Department of Health and Ageing to conduct the Pandemic Vaccination Survey	December 2009
AIHW contracted The Social Research Centre to conduct data collection	December 2009
Data collection by The Social Research Centre	January–February 2010

Activity	Date
Analysis and reporting writing (incorporating DoHA review)	March–August 2010
AIHW published report	10 September 2010

The AIHW has undertaken two vaccination surveys:

- The Adult Vaccination Survey was conducted in November–December 2009. Provisional results specifically on pandemic influenza vaccination uptake were published in February 2010, with final results from this survey due at the end of 2010.
- The Pandemic Vaccination Survey was conducted in January–February 2010, with results released in September 2010.
- d) The Pandemic Vaccination Survey did not include questions on sources of awareness of the vaccine. The full questionnaire is included in the report at pages 19–30.