Senate Community Affairs Committee ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO 2011-12 Supplementary Estimates Hearings

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Question No: 293

Topic: Governance Arrangements for Commonwealth Funded Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Services (ACCHS)

Hansard Page: Written

Senator Adams asked:

The Chairperson of the Yura Yungi Medical Service Aboriginal Corporation has previously been the director of two Halls Creek Aboriginal corporations that have become insolvent. Was this taken into account when the appointment was made?

Answer:

Under the Yura Yungi Medical Service Aboriginal Corporation's rule book, the appointment of directors is made by the members of the corporation in general meeting (usually at the annual general meeting), and the directors elect a director to chair meetings. The Registrar of Indigenous Corporations (the Registrar) does not appoint the chairperson of a corporation.

The *Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006* sets out the circumstances in which a person is disqualified from managing a corporation. The Registrar is unaware of any director of Yura Yungi Medical Service Aboriginal Corporation that is disqualified from managing a corporation.