Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

Supplementary Budget Estimates 2011-2012, 19 October 2011

Question: E11-158

OUTCOME 3: Access to Medical Services

Topic: MIDWIVES INITIATIVE

Written Question on Notice

Senator Di Natale asked:

How many midwives have so far accessed the item numbers available to eligible midwives?

Answer:

Between 1 November 2010, when the measure was introduced, and 30 September 2011, 43 eligible midwives provided services under the midwifery Medicare Benefits Schedule items.