

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

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Question: E11-205

OUTCOME 10: Health System Capacity and Quality

Topic: HEALTH AND HOSPITALS FUND

Written Question on Notice

Senator Adams asked:

The FAQs for the 2011 HHF round note that some applicants were notified that they satisfied the evaluation criteria (Q36). Others were notified that they satisfied the evaluation criteria and could provide supplementary information for the 2011 HHF round, if desired (Q37).

- a) How many applicants received feed-back on their applications?
- b) Why weren't all applicants that satisfied the criteria given this option?

What criteria were used to determine which applicants were able to provide additional information?

Answer:

- a) 107 applicants received feedback on their application.
- b) The Health and Hospital Fund Advisory Board's role is to provide advice to the Minister as to whether applications meet the criteria. Applicants who did not meet the evaluation criteria were offered feedback which related to the extent and manner to which they did not meet the criteria. As the remainder met the criteria there was no feedback to offer them. Additional information was not sought from applicants. Clarification was sought where the Board believed it was necessary in order to properly assess an application.