

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

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OUTCOME 11: Mental Health

Topic: National Mental Health Commission

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Senator Fierravanti-Wells asked:

There seems to be repeated comment in the press about Monsignor Cappelletti being the obvious choice; was there any consideration given at any stage to any other person?

Answer:

The Department of Health and Ageing did not provide advice to the Government regarding the appointment of a Chair for the National Mental Health Commission. This question should be referred to the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet which managed the process to assist the Government to appoint a Chair.