

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

Cross Portfolio Indigenous Hearing 2011-2012, 21 October

Question: E11-513

OUTCOME 8: Indigenous Health

Topic: CHILD HEALTH CHECK DENTAL FOLLOW-UP SERVICES

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Senator Scullion asked:

So perhaps, Minister, I wondered if you could be able to specifically at your level communicate with the Northern Territory government minister who is responsible for this and provide them with the list of names of these young people, where they live, the nature of the initial presentation that was provided to them and stress that it has now been over three years since the initial check was done and the advice given that these people needed to get to a dental health specialist. Bring it to their attention in those terms.

Answer:

Minister Snowdon is aware of Senator Scullion's concern regarding the extent of dental follow-up of children with a child health check referral.