

## Senate Community Affairs Legislation Committee

### SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES - 21 NOVEMBER 2013 ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

#### Department of Human Services

**Topic:** Human Services Delivery Research Alliance

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**Senator:** Cameron

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#### **Question:**

I refer to the discussion of the Human Services Delivery Research Alliance on page 49 of the 2012-13 Annual Report.

- a) When did the alliance project start?
- b) What has been the amount project funding and over what time period?
- c) When is the project due coming to an end?
- d) Has the Department made an assessment about the impact of the Government's staff reductions for the CSIRO on the project?
- e) Has the Minister for Human Services had discussions with the Minister for Industry about the implications for DHS?

#### **Answers:**

- a) The Human Services Delivery Research Alliance started on 1 September 2009.
- b) The amounts expended by the department on Alliance projects are:
  - 2009/2010 - \$2.1 million (actual expenditure);
  - 2010/2011 - \$2.0 million (actual expenditure);
  - 2011/2012 - \$2.0 million (actual expenditure);
  - 2012/2013 - \$2.0 million (actual expenditure); and
  - 2013/2014 - \$0.6 million (expended or committed to date).
- c) The Alliance is due to end on 30 June 2014.
- d) CSIRO has informed the department that it does not expect that staff reductions for the CSIRO will have any impact on the current and planned projects within the Alliance.
- e) No.