

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH PORTFOLIO

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OUTCOME: 3 - Access to Medical and Dental Services

Topic: Health and Other Services (Compensation) Act

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Senator: Siewert, Rachel

Question:

Could I also ask you to take on notice, given the new situation, if you could explain what you do and what DHS does so that I am clear from both agencies who is responsible for what.

Answer:

The Department of Health has overall policy responsibility for the Compensation Recovery Program (CRP) and for the *Health and Other Services (Compensation) 1995 Act* (HOSC). The Department of Human Services – Medicare administers the CRP through which the funds recovery provisions of the HOSC are exercised.