

**Senate Economics Legislation Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**Treasury Portfolio**  
Supplementary Budget Estimates  
2014 - 2015

**Department/Agency: AOFM**  
**Question: SBT999-1000**  
**Topic: Non-Conventional Therapies**  
**Reference: Written - 30 October 2014**  
**Senator: Ludwig, Joe**

**Question:**

Since 7 September 2013:

999. Are non-conventional therapies, for staff or ministerial use, able to be provided by the department/agency? (Including, but not limited to: Music Therapy, Hypnosis, Acupuncture, Chiropractic, Homeopathy, Naturopathy, etc) If yes:
- a) What is the process by which these therapies can be approved?
  - b) Who are they available to?
  - c) Please detail the reasons the therapies able to be provided (e.g. Work Place Agreement, recommended by a report to the department, etc)?
1000. Has the department/agency paid for any non-conventional therapy for any Minister or staff? If yes:
- a) What therapies have been provided?
  - b) What were they used to treat?
  - c) What was the cost of the therapy?

**Answer:**

Since 7 September 2013:

999. AOFM does not provide non-conventional therapies for staff or ministerial use (Including, but not limited to: Music Therapy, Hypnosis, Acupuncture, Chiropractic, Homeopathy, Naturopathy, etc.)
- a) Not applicable
  - b) Not applicable
  - c) Not applicable
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