

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Senator: Senator the Hon Penny Wong

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Question:

1. When was responsibility for the Indigenous Sport and Active Recreation Programme (ISARP) transferred to PM&C?
2. Have any changes been made to the program guidelines? If so, please provide details.
3. What funding is available for the program over the forward estimates?

Answer:

1. On 18 September 2013, the Department became the responsible agency for the majority of Indigenous policies and programmes, including the ISARP.
2. Current funding agreements with ISARP providers will continue until their contracts expire. There have been no changes made to the ISARP guidelines under which current contracts operate.
3. As part of the 2014-15 Budget, the Indigenous Advancement Strategy was established to replace existing Indigenous programmes and activities within five streamlined programmes. The new programmes will be implemented progressively and current ISARP providers will be able to apply for funding under the new strategy.