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Question:

Senator KAKOSCHKE-MOORE: With regard to training for police and nurses, you mentioned that the funding has been allocated to police in Queensland and in the Northern Territory. Will it be rolled out to other states?

Ms Hefren-Webb: We have funded some specific activities in Queensland and in the Northern Territory. I might mention that the \$100 million package was the package announced last year. There was a further funding commitment made as part of an election commitment so we are currently scoping how the Indigenous component of that will work. We will be having conversations with jurisdictions around what is the most useful way that that funding can contribute, including to policing responses but not just policing responses. Senator KAKOSCHKE-MOORE: Perhaps on notice I could have a list of where the funding has gone.

Ms Hefren-Webb: Yes, absolutely.

Answer:

The \$100 million package of funding under the Third Action Plan to address violence against women and their children was announced on 28 October 2016. The package includes \$25 million in funding for Indigenous specific initiatives, including:

- trauma-informed therapeutic services for Indigenous children affected by family violence to break the cycle of intergenerational violence
- services for perpetrators to encourage behaviour change and prevent future offending;
- intensive family-focused case management to address behaviours that lead to family violence; and
- increasing the capacity of family violence prevention legal services to deliver holistic, case managed crisis support to Indigenous women and children experiencing family violence.

There is work underway to develop the details of the new funding package. At this stage no decisions have been made on how the funding will be allocated.