

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING : 27 February 2017

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(AE17/065) - Number of detainees and children being prescribed anti-depressant drugs - Programme 1.5: IMA Offshore Management

Senator McKim, Nick (L&CA 110) asked:

Senator McKIM: I understand that. Do we know how many detainees are currently being prescribed anti-depressant drugs?

Mr Nockels: I do not have that detail.

Senator McKIM: Is that something you would be able to—

Mr Nockels: I will take that on notice.

Senator McKIM: Thank you. And if there is a subset, could you provide the number of children currently being prescribed anti-depressant drugs. Thank you. Are the funds that have been provided to IHMS for medical care of detainees reducing over time? The number of people in the camps is reducing.

Mr Nockels: IHMS is in a similar way to, say, BRS around banding. It is structured differently. In terms of overall funding, I would have to check if that has gone down, but my gut sense is that it has not. We would have to take that on notice.

Answer:

As at 27 February 2017, there were 91 transferees in regional processing centres on Manus Island and Nauru prescribed anti-depressant medication. This includes one minor on Nauru.

There were also 341 adult detainees in Australian Immigration Detention Facilities prescribed anti-depressant medication.

Payments to IHMS for offshore services (RPC and Settlement) are:

	2012-2013	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	Jul-Dec' 16
	Actual \$'m	Actual \$'m	Actual \$'m	Actual \$'m	Actual \$'m
International Health & Medical Services -IHMS-Offshore	16.73	45.98	55.89	61.51	31.27