

Senate Community Affairs Committee
ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND
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Question No: 14

Topic: Grandparent Peer Support Groups

Hansard Page: 2 June 2011, CA16

Senator Fierravanti-Wells asked:

What was the criteria used for determining the 25 Grandparent Peer Support Groups?

Answer:

Sites for the 25 MyTime for Grandparents peer support groups were based on locations:

- with high concentrations of grandparents who are the primary carers of grandchildren;
and
- where it was considered grandparents had the greatest need for support based on the SEIFA Index of Relative Socio-Economic Disadvantage of the Local Government Area.

Local stakeholder input about the location of informal grandparent carers and existing services were also considered in determining the sites.