

**Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace
Relations**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Budget Estimates 2011-2012**

Outcome 4 - Employment & Participation Policy

DEEWR Question No.EW0151_12

Senator Fierravanti-Wells provided in writing.

Question

**National Mental Health Reform – Increased Employment Participation for
People with Mental Illness**

I refer to p. 37 of the Portfolio Budget Statement, DEEWR Budget Statement. Please provide details of the National Mental Health Reform – increased employment participation for people with mental illness including: a. the nature of the departmental capital spending? b. where such spending is to occur? c. what is the spending for?

Answer

a) The nature of the departmental capital spending

A consultancy will be engaged through open tender to plan, develop and finalise content for an IT training module. The capital spending will be used to build and test this IT training module.

b) Where such spending is to occur?

The capital spending will be used internally in DEEWR for the IT development.

c) What is the spending for?

The capital spending will be used to build and test an IT training module as part of the Capacity Building component of the measure. The training module will be used to expand the current capacity of employment services and Department of Human Services staff to identify and assist people with mental illness to gain employment.