

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
ADDITIONAL BUDGET ESTIMATES 2011-2012

PM&C Portfolio

Department/Agency: National Mental Health Commission
Outcome/Program: National Mental Health Commission
Topic: Consultancies

Senator: Senator Ryan

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Question:

1. How many consultancies were undertaken in 2007-08, 2008-09 and 2009-10?
2. How many consultancies have been undertaken this financial year to date? Identify the name of the consultant, the subject matter of the consultancy, the duration and cost of the arrangement, and the method of procurement (ie. open tender, direct source, etc). Also include total value for all consultancies.
3. How many consultancies are planned for this calendar year? Have these been published in your Annual Procurement Plan (APP) on the AusTender website and if not why not? In each case please identify the subject matter, duration, cost and method of procurement as above, and the name of the consultant if known.

Answer:

1. Not applicable. The National Mental Health Commission was established on 1 January 2012.
2. As at 31 January 2012 the Commission had engaged the consultant to facilitate a planning day.
 - a. Consultant
 - i. Name: Tempo Strategies
 - ii. Subject: Facilitation of Planning Day
 - iii. Duration: 1 day
 - iv. Estimated cost: \$11,000
 - v. Procurement Method: Direct source
3. The National Mental Health Commission is currently analysing its budget and staffing plan and developing strategic and operational plans. It is likely that these plans will result in a number of consultancies which will be reflected in an Annual Procurement Plan and published on AusTender.