Author's response to reviews

Title: Estimates of cancer incidence, mortality and survival in Aboriginal people from NSW, Australia

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Dear Editor,

The attached paper provides the first reliable estimates of cancer incidence, mortality and survival in Australian Aboriginal people from New South Wales (NSW), the most populous Australian state. Aboriginality has been unreliably recorded in health and vital registration systems in eastern Australian states and consequently it has proved difficult to estimate reliably cancer incidence, mortality and survival in NSW Aboriginal people.

Due to the paucity of reliable information on cancer in Australian Aboriginal people its extent as a health problem is only partially known.

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