

MENTAL HEALTH — KIMBERLEY ABORIGINAL MEDICAL SERVICE CENTRE

3726. Ms J. Farrer to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Mental Health:

I refer to the Minister's answer to my Question On Notice No. 3172 relating to Kimberley Aboriginal Medical Service Centre (KAMSC) and ask:

- (a) in 2013–2014, what additional 'cover' was delivered in Ardyaloon, Djarindjin, Lombadina and Beagle Bay by Kimberley Aboriginal Medical Service Centre (KAMSC);
- (b) in 2013–2014, how many people were assisted by the Anglicare 'cover' in the Derby Township, Mowanjum, Pandanus and Looma and in what way;
- (c) in 2013–2014, how many staff were employed in 'covering' the Derby Township, Mowanjum, Pandanus and Looma;
- (d) in 2013–2014, how much of the \$531,710 funding was allocated to the staff costs including salary, benefits and costs associated with travel and accommodation; and
- (e) in 2013–2014, what is the number of people that have accessed services provided by KAMSC as a result of the additional funding of \$531,710?

Ms A.R. Mitchell replied:

I am advised the information provided to me by the Mental Health Commission (MHC) for Question on Notice 3172 was not correct. The amount of funding provided remains correct, however as stated in Question on Notice 3172, the funds were not provided through the Kimberley Aboriginal Medical Service Council.

I am now advised that in 2013/14, funding of \$304,050 was provided to support three Community Action Plans in the Dampier Peninsula region (Ardyaloon, Djarindjin/Lombadina and Beagle Bay). The funds for the Ardyaloon Community Action Plan were administered by Ardyaloon Incorporated and funds for the Djarindjin/Lombadina and Beagle Bay Community Action Plans were administered by Djarindjin Aboriginal Corporation.

The MHC has sincerely apologised for the error.

- (a) The additional service delivered in Ardyaloon, Djarindjin/Lombadina and Beagle Bay included the establishment of the Djarindjin Youth Drop In Centre and engagement of the Youth Drop-In Centre Coordinator. Activities held included women's camps, men's nights and community suicide prevention training. Other activities targeted at youth included supporting three Djarindjin local girls to participate in the "Kimberley Girl" initiative, Alive and Kicking Goals program, Headspace workshops, school holiday program and youth camps.
- (b) It is estimated that over 500 people were assisted by the Anglicare services in the Derby Township, Mowanjum, Pandanus and Looma area. Activities that were implemented included postvention support and counselling for those affected by suicide in the community, Social and Emotional Wellbeing camps, healing programs, suicide prevention training, and community/sporting events. This estimated figure does not include the 122 people who accessed services provided by the Social and Emotional Wellbeing Worker employed at Anglicare WA through the \$531,710 of funding.
- (c) Two staff were employed by Anglicare WA to support the Derby Township, Mowanjum, Pandanus and Looma area (1 x Community Development/Health Promotion Worker and 1 x Social and Emotional Wellbeing Worker).
- (d) Of the \$531,710 in funding provided to Anglicare WA, approximately \$233,000 was allocated to salaries (including on costs): \$6,236 to professional development and \$36,877 to travel and accommodation.
- (e) For the \$531,710 funding provided to Anglicare WA, the Social and Emotional Wellbeing Worker supported 122 individuals and assisted in facilitating 95 events. As addressed above, no services were provided by Kimberley Aboriginal Medical Services Centre.