

PEEL HEALTH CAMPUS, DAY CARE EXTENSIONS AND DIALYSIS MACHINES

1280. Mr Marshall to the Minister for Health

I refer to the pre election promise to provide \$2.5 million to the Peel Health Campus for Day Care extensions and Dialysis Machines whereas the budget has allocated \$1 million for only Dialysis Machines and ask will the Minister advise -

- (a) how many Dialysis Machines will be installed;
- (b) what is the cost of each machine; and
- (c) what will be the full total of these machines to the ward when completed?

Mr KUCERA replied:

- (a)-(c) The Department of Housing and Works is commissioning an architect to prepare contract documents for the Peel redevelopment project. The \$1M cashflowed for 2001/02 is an initial estimate of the cost to progress this work within the financial year but is not specifically tied to the purchase of Dialysis Machines, although the Renal Dialysis extension is a component of the overall project.

It is intended in line with the Government commitment to replace the existing 5-chair renal dialysis unit with a new 10-chair facility. The option to provide extra plumbing for a further 2 chairs is also being considered.

Dialysis machines in Satellite Units cost between \$15 000 to \$32 000 each not including the costs of installation and Reverse Osmosis machine(s).