

CHILD DEATH REVIEW COMMITTEE, MEMBERSHIP

754. Hon. C.L. Edwardes to the Minister for Community Development, Women's Interests, Seniors and Youth

I refer to the announcement that an independent body will be established to review the deaths of children officially known to be at risk of abuse or neglect and ask: -

- (a) who will chair this body;
- (b) what qualifications are regarded as necessary to chair this body;
- (c) how many other members will this body have;
- (d) who are the other members;
- (e) what qualifications are regarded as necessary for these members;
- (f) when will this committee submit its report;
- (g) to whom will it submit its report;
- (h) has consideration been given to seeking the views of the Coroner regarding this issue; and
- (i) if not, why not?

Ms S.M. McHALE replied:

- (a) The Hon Kay Hallahan AO.
- (b) No formal qualification is required however the Chairperson has a wide knowledge of child and family welfare issues.
- (c) Up to three.
- (d) Darrell Henry, Patricia Loxton and Rosemary Cant.
- (e) No formal qualification is required however members have a wide knowledge of child and family welfare issues.
- (f) The Terms of Reference require the Committee to prepare an annual report for the Director General and the Minister.
- (g) To the Director General and the Minister.
- (h) The views of the Coroner have been sought.
- (i) N/A