



QUESTIONS BOOKLET

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

WEDNESDAY, 16 JUNE 2021

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- 139. Hon Tjorn Sibma to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Tourism
- 140. Hon Tjorn Sibma to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Transport
- 141. Hon James Hayward to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Health
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- 143. Hon Wilson Tucker to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Health
- 144. Hon Nick Goiran to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Attorney General

Notice Given Wednesday, 2 June 2021

- 145. Hon Brad Pettitt to the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs

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- 146. Hon Neil Thomson to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Health
- 147. Hon Steve Martin to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Health

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148. Hon Tjorn Sibma to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Health
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Notice Given **Tuesday, 15 June 2021**

150. Hon Peter Collier to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Housing
151. Hon Nick Goiran to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Health
152. Hon Peter Collier to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Police;
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Notice Given**Wednesday, 16 June 2021****154. Hon Martin Aldridge to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Health:**

I refer to all public hospitals, including public hospitals with private operators, and the availability of beds at those hospitals, and ask:

- (a) how does the Department of Health define a 'hospital bed';
- (b) how long is a 'hospital bed' funded for, please break down for specific types of beds;
- (c) how does the Department of Health define 'access block';
- (d) will the Minister commit to making Emergency Access Targets (WEAT) and/or Hospital Access Targets (HAT) available again to the public;
- (e) if yes to (d), when;
- (f) if no to (d), why not;
- (g) will the Minister commit to ensuring access block statistics are made publicly available;
- (h) if yes to (f), when; and
- (i) if no to (f), why not?

155. Hon Martin Aldridge to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Health:

I refer to all public hospitals, including public hospitals with private operators, and the availability of beds at those hospitals, and I ask:

- (a) for the North Metropolitan Health Service:
 - (i) what was the average number of daily active beds for each month in the 2018–2019 financial year across each hospital;
 - (ii) what was the total bed capacity for the same time period as (a)(i) for each hospital; and
 - (iii) how many days each month did each hospital experience access block of more than ten percent of beds within the emergency department;
- (b) for the South Metropolitan Health Service:
 - (i) what was the average number of daily active beds for each month in the 2018–2019 financial year across each hospital;
 - (ii) what was the total bed capacity for the same time period as (b)(i) for each hospital; and

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- (iii) how many days each month did each hospital experience access block of more than ten percent of beds within the emergency department;
- (c) for the East Metropolitan Health Service:
 - (i) what was the average number of daily active beds for each month in the 2018–2019 financial year across each hospital;
 - (ii) what was the total bed capacity for the same time period as (c)(i) for each hospital; and
 - (iii) how many days each month did each hospital experience access block of more than ten percent of beds within the emergency department;
- (d) for the Child and Adolescent Health Service:
 - (i) what was the average number of daily active beds for each month in the 2018–2019 financial year across each hospital;
 - (ii) what was the total bed capacity for the same time period as (d)(i) for each hospital; and
 - (iii) how many days each month did each hospital experience access block of more than ten percent of beds within the emergency department; and
- (e) for the Western Australian Country Health Service:
 - (i) what was the average number of daily active beds for each month in the 2018–2019 financial year across each hospital;
 - (ii) what was the total bed capacity for the same time period as (e)(i) for each hospital; and
 - (iii) how many days each month did each hospital experience access block of more than ten percent of beds within the emergency department?

156. Hon Martin Aldridge to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Health:

I refer to emergency departments in public hospitals, including public hospitals with private operators, and I ask:

- (a) for each year and for each hospital since 2018, what is the longest amount of time a patient has waited for admission and what was the date that patient was admitted;
- (b) has the Minister received any correspondence relating to mental health access block within the hospital network; and
- (c) has the Minister requested or directed executives within any of the health service providers to act on mental health access block within the hospitals under their remit:
 - (i) if yes to (c), please detail when and to whom the request was made?

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I refer to staff in public hospitals, including public hospitals with private operators, and I ask:

- (a) for each hospital, what was the average nurse to patient ratio across all wards during the 2019-20 financial year; and
- (b) for each hospital, what is the average nurse to patient ratio across all wards during the 2020-21 (current) financial year to date?

158. Hon Martin Aldridge to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Health:

I refer to all public hospitals, including public hospitals with private operators, and I ask:

- (a) for the North Metropolitan Health Service (NMHS):
 - (i) what was the average wait time for specialists during the 2019-20 financial year across the NMHS; and
 - (ii) which hospital had the longest wait time for specialists for the same time period, and what was that figure;
- (b) for the South Metropolitan Health Service (SMHS):
 - (i) what was the average wait time for specialists during the 2019-20 financial year across the SMHS; and
 - (ii) which hospital had the longest wait time for specialists for the same time period, and what was that figure;
- (c) for the East Metropolitan Health Service (EMHS):
 - (i) what was the average wait time for specialists during the 2019-20 financial year across the EMHS; and
 - (ii) which hospital had the longest wait time for specialists in that same time period, and what was that figure;
- (d) for the Child and Adolescent Health Service (CAHS):
 - (i) what was the average wait time for specialists during the 2019-20 financial year across the CAHS; and
 - (ii) which hospital had the longest wait time for specialists in that same time period, and what was that figure; and
- (e) for the Western Australian Country Health Service (WACHS):
 - (i) what was the average wait time for specialists during the 2019-20 financial year across WACHS; and
 - (ii) which hospital had the longest wait time for specialists during that same time period, and what was that figure?

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Questions Asked Today**Notice Given Wednesday, 16 June 2021****159. Hon Donna Faragher to the Minister for Education and Training:**

- (1) I refer to the Federal Government's *2020 Review of the Disability Standards for Education 2005*, and its final list of recommendations, and I ask, can the Minister provide a breakdown of those recommendations relevant to the Western Australian Department of Education and include details as to the McGowan Government's position on each?
- (2) For each recommendation referred to in (1), can the Minister advise:
 - (a) if the recommendation has been implemented and, if not, when it is expected to be implemented; and
 - (b) if any State funding is required to deliver the recommendation?

160. Hon Martin Aldridge to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Health:

I refer to all public hospitals, including public hospitals with private operators, and incidences such as code alerts and severity assessment codes such as SAC1s, and I ask:

- (a) for the North Metropolitan Health Service, during the 2019-20 financial year:
 - (i) how many SAC1s were recorded, please detail the hospital, time and date they occurred;
 - (ii) how many Code Yellows were recorded, please detail the hospital, time and date they occurred;
 - (iii) how many Code Blacks and Code Black Alphas were recorded, please detail the hospital, time and date they occurred; and
 - (iv) how many Code Blues were recorded, please detail the hospital, time and date they occurred;
- (b) for the South Metropolitan Health Service, during the 2019-20 financial year:
 - (i) how many SAC1s were recorded, please detail the hospital, time and date they occurred;
 - (ii) how many Code Yellows were recorded, please detail the hospital, time and date they occurred;
 - (iii) how many Code Blacks and Code Black Alphas were recorded, please detail the hospital, time and date they occurred; and
 - (iv) how many Code Blues were recorded, please detail the hospital, time and date they occurred;
- (c) for the East Metropolitan Health Service, during the 2019-20 financial year:
 - (i) how many SAC1s were recorded, please detail the hospital, time and date they occurred;
 - (ii) how many Code Yellows were recorded, please detail the hospital, time and date they occurred;

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- (iii) how many Code Blacks and Code Black Alphas were recorded, please detail the hospital, time and date they occurred; and
- (iv) how many Code Blues were recorded, please detail the hospital, time and date they occurred;
- (d) for the Child and Adolescent Health Service, during the 2019-20 financial year:
 - (i) how many SAC1s were recorded, please detail the hospital, time and date they occurred;
 - (ii) how many Code Yellows were recorded, please detail the hospital, time and date they occurred;
 - (iii) how many Code Blacks and Code Black Alphas were recorded, please detail the hospital, time and date they occurred; and
 - (iv) how many Code Blues were recorded, please detail the hospital, time and date they occurred; and
- (e) for the Western Australian Country Health Service, during the 2019-20 financial year:
 - (i) how many SAC1s were recorded, please detail the hospital, time and date they occurred;
 - (ii) how many Code Yellows were recorded, please detail the hospital, time and date they occurred;
 - (iii) how many Code Blacks and Code Black Alphas were recorded, please detail the hospital, time and date they occurred; and
 - (iv) how many Code Blues were recorded, please detail the hospital, time and date they occurred?

161. Hon Donna Faragher to the Minister for Education and Training:

- (1) I refer to the 2021 State Election and the commitments made by the McGowan Government for school infrastructure improvements and upgrades, and I ask, will the Minister provide a breakdown by electorate, of all school infrastructure commitments that were made by the Government?
- (2) For each commitment referred to in (1), what is the total amount of funding that has been allocated to deliver the project?

162. Hon Donna Faragher to the Minister for Education and Training:

I refer to question without notice 1244, asked on 10 November 2020, regarding the Department of Training and Workforce Development's review into the cost structure of Auslan training, and I ask:

- (a) has the review been completed;
- (b) if yes to (a), can the Minister provide detail as to the outcome of the review; and
- (c) if no to (a), why not?

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Questions Asked Today**Notice Given** **Wednesday, 16 June 2021****163. Hon Donna Faragher to the Minister for Education and Training:**

I refer to the Thoughtful Schools project and a review in 2020 of its terms of agreement, and I ask:

- (a) has the review now been completed;
- (b) if no to (a), why not; and
- (c) if yes to (a), what was the outcome of the review?

164. Hon Martin Aldridge to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Health:

I refer to all public hospitals, including public hospitals with private operators, and I ask:

- (a) for the North Metropolitan Health Service (NMHS):
 - (i) what is the average wait time for specialists during the 2020-21 (current) financial year to date across the NMHS; and
 - (ii) which hospital had the longest wait time for specialists for the same time period, and what was that figure;
- (b) for the South Metropolitan Health Service (SMHS):
 - (i) what is the average wait time for specialists during the 2020-21 (current) financial year to date across the SMHS; and
 - (ii) which hospital had the longest wait time for specialists for the same time period, and what was that figure;
- (c) for the East Metropolitan Health Service (EMHS):
 - (i) what is the average wait time for specialists during the 2020-21 (current) financial year to date across the EMHS; and
 - (ii) which hospital had the longest wait time for specialists in that same time period, and what was that figure;
- (d) fFor the Child and Adolescent Health Service (CAHS):
 - (i) what is the average wait time for specialists during the 2020-21 (current) financial year to date across the CAHS; and
 - (ii) which hospital had the longest wait time for specialists in that same time period, and what was that figure; and
- (e) for the Western Australian Country Health Service (WACHS):
 - (i) what is the average wait time for specialists during the 2020-21 (current) financial year to date across WACHS; and
 - (ii) which hospital had the longest wait time for specialists during that same time period, and what was that figure?

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Questions Asked Today**Notice Given** **Wednesday, 16 June 2021****165. Hon Nick Goiran to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Child Protection:**

I refer to my question without notice, asked and answered on 15 June 2021, and I ask, how many children displaying inappropriate or harmful sexual behaviours are currently being housed with other children in Government-run residential group homes?

166. Hon Nick Goiran to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Child Protection:

I refer to the 23 residential group homes operated by the Department, and I ask, how many are in the Perth metropolitan area?

167. Hon James Hayward to the Minister for Regional Development representing the Minister for Water:

I refer to community consultation practices by the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER), and I ask:

- (a) does the Department conduct community consultation activities in communities that are affected by DWER actions;
- (b) if no to (a), why not;
- (c) if yes to (a), what community consultation activities are conducted;
- (d) how many community consultation meetings has the Department conducted in the past calendar year and where were they held; and
- (e) how many community consultation meetings did the Department conduct in each year from 2010 to 2020?

168. Hon Peter Collier to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Police:

I refer to the commitment of the Government of 950 additional police officers outlined in the 2020-2021 Budget, and I ask:

- (a) how many sworn officers were employed by the Western Australia Police Force on 8 October 2020 (the date the Budget was released);
- (b) how many additional sworn officers have now been employed by the Western Australia Police Force since the date of this announcement;
- (c) how many officers have left the Western Australia Police Force since 8 October 2020; and
- (d) how many sworn officers were employed on 14 June 2021?

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Clerk of the Legislative Council