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HOSPITALS - STATISTICS ON INTENSIVE CARE UNITS

- 2155. Mr P.D. Omodei to the Minister for Health
- (1) How many adult funded ventilated beds are available in Western Australia's public hospitals (including regional hospitals)?
- (2) How many paediatric Intensive Care Unit (ICU) ventilated beds are at Princess Margaret Hospital?
- (3) What is the ratio of specialist doctors to ICU beds in Western Australia?
- (4) What is the ratio of FTE nurses per ICU bed?
- (5) To what occupancy level are ICUs funded to operate?
- (6) What has been the occupancy of Intensive Care Units in the following financial years -
 - (a) 2003-2004;
 - (b) 2004-2005;
 - (c) 2005-2006; and
 - (d) 2006-2007?
- (7) How many ICU beds are there at each public hospital in Western Australia (please list number at each hospital)?

Mr J.A. McGINTY replied:

- (1) There are a total of 52 adult ICU (ventilated) beds. These are located at Royal Perth Hospital (22), Fremantle Hospital (12), Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital (14) and Joondalup Health Campus (4).
- (2) Princess Margaret Hospital: 10 beds
- (3) There were 16.6 Senior Medical Officers per ICU bed in the Department of Health in March 2007.

Note: Senior Medical Officers includes Doctors paid L13 AMA award and above, in Full-Time Equivalents (FTE) as published in the Director General's Report. Joondalup Health Campus is not included and Neonatal Intensive Care Beds are not included.

(4) WA Health utilises 'Nursing Hours per Patient Day'(NHpPD) when considering nursing workload within Intensive Care Unit rather than defined FTE ratios. The NHpPD figure for all Intensive Care Units is 31.60 NHpPD.

Joondalup Health Campus is not covered by Nursing Hours Per Patient Day staffing methodology. As such Joondalup Health Campus ratio is 24 FTE to 10 critical care beds

(5) Funded occupancy levels:

Royal Perth Hospital: 85% Fremantle Hospital: 74%.

Princess Margaret Hospital: 50% Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital: 100% Joondalup Health Campus: 100%

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	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07 YTD
Royal Perth Hospital	84%	86%	85%	94%
Fremantle Hospital	77%	79%	78%	75%
Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital	87%	83%	93%	93%
Joondalup Health Campus	53%	56%	54%	61%
Princess Margaret Hospital	89%	106%	80%	91%

(7) Royal Perth Hospital: 24 ICU beds Fremantle Hospital: 12 ICU beds

Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital: 18 ICU beds

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Joondalup Health Campus: 6 ICU beds Princess Margaret Hospital: 10 ICU beds