

KALEEYA HOSPITAL AND GALLIERS WING AND SPECIALIST CENTRE - BED NUMBERS

2162. Mr P.D. Omodei to the Minister for Health

With reference to Kaleeya and Galliers Hospitals, I ask -

- (1) What is the current number of beds available for patients at each hospital?
- (2) How many un-staffed beds are at each hospital?
- (3) For each Wednesday in 2006 and each Wednesday so far in 2007 -
  - (a) what was the number of beds available; and
  - (b) what was the number of beds in use by patients?

Mr J.A. McGINTY replied:

- (1) Available multiday active beds are overnight beds that are immediately available to be used by an admitted patient or resident if required. An available sameday bed/chair is a bed/chair that is immediately available to be used by an admitted patient if required. A bed/chair is immediately available for use if it is located in a suitable place for care with nursing and auxiliary staff available within a reasonable period.

Galliers currently has 34 available/active beds consisting of:

- 24 Multi-day beds
- 10 Same-day beds

Kaleeya currently has 49 available/active beds consisting of:

- 36 Multi-day beds
- 13 Same-day beds

- (2) Available inactive beds are beds within ward areas into which patients cannot currently be allocated (i.e. are closed for operational management reasons, such as infection control, staffing, clinical, demand management, ward maintenance etc).

Some of the unavailable/inactive beds are made available when there is sufficient demand; this occurs regularly as indicated by the data shown in (3b) below. Staff is adjusted accordingly as required.

Galliers currently has 27 unavailable/inactive beds consisting of:

- 20 Multi-day beds
- 7 Same-day beds.

Kaleeya currently has 22 unavailable/inactive beds consisting of:

- 22 Multi-day beds.

- (3) [See paper 2653.]