

HOSPITALS - EAR, NOSE AND THROAT SURGERY - WAITING LISTS

1740. Mr P.D. Omodei to the Minister for Health

- (1) What is the wait list for ear, nose and throat surgery at -
  - (a) Royal Perth Hospital;
  - (b) Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital;
  - (c) Fremantle Hospital;
  - (d) Joondalup Hospital; and
  - (e) Princess Margaret Hospital?
- (2) How many patients are on the wait list for ear, nose and throat surgery at non-teaching public hospitals?
- (3) What is the -
  - (a) longest wait time;
  - (b) shortest wait time; and
  - (c) average wait timepatients experience to receive these procedures at each hospital?

Mr J.A. McGINTY replied:

- (1) As at 25 February 2007 the numbers of cases waiting on the ENT wait list at the specified hospitals are as follows:

(a) Royal Perth Hospital (RPH)	438
(b) Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital (SCGH)	176
(c) Fremantle Hospital (FH)	89
(d) Joondalup Health Campus (JHC)	270
(e) Princess Margaret Hospital (PMH)	987
- (2) As at 25 February 2007 the total number of cases on the wait list for ENT surgery at the non-tertiary metropolitan public hospitals was 632.
- (3) As at 25 February 2007 ENT waiting times at the above-mentioned hospitals were as follows:

Ear, Nose & Throat Wait Times (days)

	Maximum	Minimum	Median <sup>2</sup>
RPH	1,426	2	221
SCGH	1,231	2	108
FH	698	2	88
JHC	541	9	268
PMH	642	2	198
Armadale	464	3	114
Bentley	738	2	130
Kaleeya	707	4	67
Kalamunda	0	0	0
Osborne Park	1,723	14	98
Rockingham	641	2	172
Swan	535	2	207

Notes:

1. This question has been interpreted as relating to the cases detailed in questions 1 and 2 of this PQ.
2. Median (the 50th percentile) has been used for consistency and comparability with other Department of Health public reporting on wait lists.

The patients waiting the longest for ENT surgery at SCGH, PMH, Bentley, Osborne Park and Rockingham have been given dates for their surgery. The longest wait ENT patients at RPH are being clinically reviewed to determine whether or not they are ready for care. Cases reported conform to "AIHW Reportable" standards. Data Source: Monthly Wait List Extracts.