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98. Hon SOPHIA MOERMOND to the parliamentary secretary representing the Minister for Health:

I refer to a paper released by the University of Nottingham in 2013 that showed that cannabis can reduce the size of an area in the brain affected by a stroke and improve neurological function. Considering the personal and economic cost of strokes, I ask the following.

- (1) Has this data been used to implement new treatments for strokes in WA hospitals?
- (2) Would the government consider using this information to develop new treatments for strokes?

Hon PIERRE YANG replied:

I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question. The following answer has been provided by the Minister for Health.

- (1) No.
- (2) The department is constantly reviewing new, safe and well-evidenced treatment methods.