

METHAMPHETAMINE

1566. Hon SOPHIA MOERMOND to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Health:

I refer the minister to research linking methamphetamine use and increased risk for the early onset and development of Parkinson's disease and parkinsonism.

- (1) Is the minister aware of the research linking methamphetamine use to Parkinson's disease and parkinsonism?
- (2) How is the risk to methamphetamine users developing these conditions and other diseases included in current education programs about methamphetamine use?

Hon SUE ELLERY replied:

I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question.

- (1) The state government continuously monitors national and international research and data related to the impact of alcohol and other drug use on individuals, families and the broader Western Australian community.
- (2) The Mental Health Commission's Drug Aware program has developed a range of resources that outline the health risks associated with methamphetamine use.