

EMERGENCY DEPARTMENTS — WAIT TIMES

948. Ms L. Mettam to the Minister for Health:

I refer to the Minister’s media statement of April 26, 2023, entitled “ED reforms to include alternative care pathways and new targets and specifically to the Minister’s statement that “For patients presenting to emergency departments, the new targets are for hospitals to admit 80 per cent of patients within six hours and discharge 80 per cent of patients who do not need to be admitted to a ward within four hours”, and I ask:

- (a) Since that announcement, what percentage of patients presenting at public hospital emergency departments and requiring admission have been admitted within six hours of presentation; and
- (b) Since that announcement, what percentage of patients presenting at public hospital emergency departments and not requiring admission have been discharged within four hours of presentation?

Ms A. Sanderson replied:

(a)–(b) This information is publicly available on the WA Health website’s Emergency Department Monthly Report.