

YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH UNITS

1220. Hon WILSON TUCKER to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Health:

I refer to the youth mental health inpatient services provided through the metropolitan health services, such as the East Metropolitan Youth Unit and the Mental Health Youth Unit located at Fiona Stanley Hospital.

- (1) Do these units receive patients who are currently prisoners, either sentenced or on remand?
- (2) As youth mental health units accept patients in an age range of 16 to 24 years, are adults and children segregated from each other; and, if so, how?
- (3) Are these units segregated by gender; and, if so, how?

Hon SUE ELLERY replied:

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

- (1) Youth Mental Health Units provided at the East Metropolitan Health Service and South Metropolitan Health Service receive patients from Banksia Hill Detention Centre and those on hospital orders.
- (2) All health service providers comply with the Mental Health Act 2014, section 303, “Segregation of children from adult inpatients”.
- (3) All health service providers follow the sexual safety guidelines provided by the Office of the Chief Psychiatrist.