

HEALTH — NURSING HOME GRANTS

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

I refer to the State Government's plan to give residential nursing homes grants of up to \$1825 to take elderly patients fit for medical discharge out of public hospitals and into "respite" care, and I ask:

- (a) How many grants have been awarded;
- (b) What is the total value of the grants;
- (c) How many nursing homes have received grants; and
- (d) How many elderly people have been moved from public hospitals into private nursing homes under this grant scheme?

Ms A. Sanderson replied:

Data as of 7 February 2024:

- (a) 58 claims finalised with a further 113 to be awarded on completion of patient stay/invoicing processes.
- (b) \$127,100 total expenditure to date on finalised claims.
- (c) 13 aged care providers have signed onto the grant agreement with a combined total of 88 nursing home sites.
- (d) 171 patients discharged from hospital, saving an estimated 2,952 bed days.