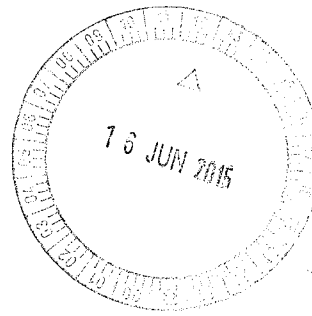


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**Disability Services Commission**

*Question No. 1: Hon Alanna Clohesy MLC asked –*

*I refer to Budget Paper number 2 volume 1, page 406, and the Accommodation Support Funding; Intensive Family Support Funding; and Alternatives to Employment Funding programs, and ask-*

*In 2014/2015 how much was the actual expenditure on each of these programs?*

Answer:

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| • Accommodation Support              | \$324.4 million |
| • Intensive Family Support Funding   | \$65.8 million  |
| • Alternatives to Employment Funding | \$57.2 million  |

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**Disability Services Commission**

*Question No. 2: Hon Alanna Clohesy MLC asked –*

*I refer to Budget Paper number 2 volume 1, page 406, and the Accommodation Support Funding; Intensive Family Support Funding; and Alternatives to Employment Funding programs, and ask-*

*In the years 2015/2016, 2016/2017, 2017/2018 what is budgeted for these programs?*

Answer: In 2015-16 the budget for these programs will be equivalent to the 2014-15 actual expenditure, plus a proportion of growth (approx. \$28million in 2015-16, allocated to programs based on individuals' needs) and indexation.

In 2016-17 and 2017-18, the budget for these programs will be the same as 2015-16, plus indexation.

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*Question No. 3: Hon Alanna Clohesy MLC asked-*

*I refer to Budget Paper number 2 volume 1, page 406, and the Accommodation Support Funding; Intensive Family Support Funding; and Alternatives to Employment Funding programs, and ask-*

*In 2014/2015 how many people received support from each program?*

Answer: This information is not collected until July 2015 and will only be available in the Commission's 2014-15 Annual report.

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*Question No. 4: Hon Alanna Clohesy MLC asked-*

I refer to Budget Paper number 2 volume 1, page 406, and the Accommodation Support Funding; Intensive Family Support Funding; and Alternatives to Employment Funding programs, and ask-

*In 2014/2015 how many people were deemed ineligible for each program?*

Answer:

There is no specific eligibility criteria for funding under these programs. As a result no individuals were found ineligible.



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*Question No. 5: Hon Alanna Clohesy MLC asked -*

*I refer to Budget Paper number 2 volume 1, page 406, and the Accommodation Support Funding; Intensive Family Support Funding; and Alternatives to Employment Funding programs, and ask-*

*How many people are waiting to be assessed for funding?*

Answer:

The Commission does not assess individuals for funding. Funding is either allocated on the basis of an individual plan, or through the Combined Application Process.



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*Question No. 6 Hon Alanna Clohesy MLC asked –*

*I refer to Budget Paper 2, volume 1, page 409 "Accommodation Support", and ask –*

*How many young people with disability currently live in non-age appropriate accommodation?*

Answer: As at 4 June 2015, data held by the Commission identifies 12 young people under the age of 30 residing in age inappropriate accommodation and a total of 55 people under the age of 50 (includes the 12 under 30), seeking more age appropriate accommodation. Importantly current accommodation includes more than aged care beds, for example Graylands and Royal Perth Hospitals, rehabilitation beds or transition accommodation through Brightwater and similar services.

*Question No. 7 Hon Alanna Clohesy MLC asked –*

*How many young people were moved from nursing homes and other residential care into age-appropriate accommodation in 2014/2015?*

Answer: The Commission has relocated or provided supports to 15 people through the Age Appropriate Housing Strategy.

A further 15 people have been funded through the Young People in Nursing Home and Young People in Residential Aged Care funding streams. There are now a total of 84 people supported through these two programs.

While separate results of the Young People in Nursing Homes; Young People in Residential Aged Care and the Age Appropriate Accommodation Strategy are separately identified, these are not the only means of younger people achieving an age appropriate accommodation option.

*Question No. 8 Hon Alanna Clohesy MLC asked –*

*In 2014/2015 what was the actual expenditure to move young people from nursing homes and other residential care into age-appropriate accommodation?*

Answer: In 2014/15, \$866,126 has been expended and \$331,000 is committed, totalling \$1,197,126 for movement of younger people under the Age Appropriate Housing Strategy.

*Question No. 9 Hon Alanna Clohesy MLC asked –*

*How many young people with disability are expected to be moved from nursing homes and other residential care into age-appropriate accommodation 2015/2016?*

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Answer: The number of people who move as a result of the Age Appropriate Housing Strategy will vary between five and ten according to individual support needs.

*Question No. 10 Hon Alanna Clohesy MLC asked –*

*How much is budgeted in 2015/2016 to move young people from nursing homes and other residential care into age-appropriate accommodation?*

Answer: In 2015/16, additional growth funds of \$0.5 million have been provided for the Age Appropriate Housing Strategy.

*Question No. 11 Hon Alanna Clohesy MLC asked –*

*How many young people with disability are expected to be provided with age-appropriate accommodation in 2016/2017, 2017/2018, 2018/2019?*

Answer: Unable to forecast that far in advance especially given changes to funding systems currently occurring through NDIS trials and the range of ways that younger people can achieve a more age appropriate accommodation option.

*Question No. 12 Hon Alanna Clohesy MLC asked –*

*In 2016/2017, 2017/2018, 2018/2019 how much is budgeted to move young people from nursing homes and other residential care into age-appropriate accommodation?*

Answer: In 2016/17, additional growth funds of \$0.5 million have been provided for the Age Appropriate Housing Strategy.

- In 2017/18, additional growth funds of \$0.5 million have been provided for the Age Appropriate Housing Strategy.
- No growth has been allocated for this program in 2018/19. However, an additional \$3 million in recurrent funding will be available in 2018/19 as a result of funding increases since 2014/15, making the total investment \$9 million over four years.



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*Question No. 13: Hon Alanna Clohesy MLC asked—*

*I refer to Budget paper 2, volume 1, page 406 and the allocation of funding for the NDIS My Way Trial in the Lower South West, and ask—*

*In 2014/2015 how much was budgeted for the trial?*

Answer: \$35.7 million.

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*Question No. 14: Hon Alanna Clohesy MLC asked –*

*I refer to Budget paper 2, volume 1, page 406 and the allocation of funding for the NDIS My Way Trial in the Lower South West, and ask-*

*In 2014/2015 how much was the actual expenditure for the trial?*

Answer: As at 31 March 2015, \$11.6 million has been expended for the trial.

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*Question No. 15: Hon A Clohesy MLC asked –*

*In 2014/2015 what was the total number of individuals with a current plan?*

Answer: The current WA NDIS My Way Quarterly Report (data extracted on 31 March 2015) shows there were 631 individuals with a current plan.

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*Question No. 16: Hon A Clohesy MLC asked –*

*In 2014/2015 what was the total number of individuals with a current plan that had funding?*

Answer: The current WA NDIS My Way Quarterly Report (data extracted on 31 March 2015) shows there were 558 individuals with a current plan that contained funded strategies.



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*Question No. 17: Hon A Clohesy MLC asked –*

*In 2014/2015 how many people that applied did not get a plan?*

Answer: All individuals who are found eligible for the WA NDIS My trial developed an individualised plan.

The current WA NDIS My Way Quarterly Report (data extracted on 31 March 2015) shows that only two individuals were found ineligible for the trial and therefore did not develop a plan.

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*Question No. 18: Hon A Clohesy MLC asked –*

*At the end of 2014/2015 financial year, how many people remained waiting for a plan?*

Answer: No person found eligible for NDIS My Way is waiting for a plan. The current WA NDIS My Way Quarterly Report (data extracted on 31 March 2015) shows that 75 people were in the process of developing an individualised plan. The NDIS My Way model enables people with disability and their families/carers to take as much time as they need to develop their plan.



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*Question No. 19: Hon A Clohesy MLC asked –*

*In 2015/2016 how many people are budgeted to receive a plan?*

Answer: The National Partnership Agreement states that approximately 4,133 individuals will phase into the WA NDIS My Way trial in 2015/16.

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*Question No. 20: Hon Alanna Clohesy MLC asked –*

*I refer to Budget paper 2, volume 1, page 406 and the allocation of funding for the NDIS My Way Trial in the Lower South West, and ask-*

*In 2015/2016 how much is budgeted for the trial?*

Answer: \$135.5 million (\$62.8M Lower South West and \$72.7M Cockburn Kwinana).

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*Question No. 21 Hon Alanna Clohesy MLC asked-*

*Budget paper 2 vol 1 page 408*

*How many (number of) serious incidents on people with disability were reported by service type, type of incident, and outcome were reported in 2014 to-date.*

Answer: The Commission's serious incident reporting system collects information from service providers on serious incidents that have occurred from a potential population of over 24,000 people with disability who have accessed services.

The Commission's serious incident reporting system collects information to report on trends and provide oversight, but is not an incident management system: this is undertaken through other means. As a result, 'outcomes' are not recorded against serious incidents.

Service category reflects only on the location of the incident and should not be taken as indicative of the alleged perpetrator of the act.

Data reflects only what incidents were reported to the Commission and does not purport to form a complete picture of acts against people with disability. For the period 1 July 2014 to 31 March 2015, the number of reported serious incidents by type of service and type of incident is:

Type of service	Type of incident	Number of incidents
Accommodation support	Death	0
	Abuse/Assault (physical, psychological or sexual)	9
	Neglect	2
Other funded service	Death	0
	Abuse/Assault (physical, psychological or sexual)	13
	Neglect	2
Not in service at time of incident	Death	1 (Coroner undertaking investigation)
	Abuse/Assault (physical, psychological or sexual)	50
	Neglect	11

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*\* Data reflects reported acts against people with disability that are confirmed or not disproved. Acts reported in multiple occasions or by multiple parties are counted only once.  
\* While the death of any person with disability is a reportable incident, only deaths not attributed to natural causes are included.*

*Question No. 22 Hon Alanna Clohesy MLC asked –*

*How many (number of) serious incidents on staff were reported by service type, type of incident, and outcome were reported in 2014 to date.*

Answer: Serious Incident Reporting is undertaken pursuant to s 25(4) of the Disability Services Act. This section does not require the collection of this data.

*Question No. 23 Hon Alanna Clohesy MLC asked –*

*How many (number of) serious incidents on visitors / others were reported by service type, type of incident, and outcomes were reported in 2014 to-date.*

Answer: Serious Incident Reporting is undertaken pursuant to s 25(4) of the Disability Services Act. This section does not require the collection of this data.

*Question No. 24 Hon Alanna Clohesy MLC asked –*

*How many (number of) serious incidents on people were reported to police or other external investigative bodies by service type, type of incident, and outcome in 2014 to-date?*

Answer: Serious Incident Reporting is undertaken pursuant to s 25(4) of the Disability Services Act. This section does not require the collection of this data.



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*Question No. 25: Hon Alanna Clohesy MLC asked-*

I refer to the Budget Papers number 2, volume 1, page 406 and ask -

*In 2014/2015 what was the actual expenditure to fund the provision of services in the non-government sector, by sector type (for profit and not-for-profit)?*

Answer:

The actual expenditure to fund provision of services in the non-government sector in 2014/15 as at 31 May 2015 was \$613,552,014.

Of the total, \$578,085,878 was paid to not-for-profit and \$35,466,136 to for-profit organisations.



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*Question No. 26: Hon Alanna Clohesy MLC asked-*

I refer to the Budget Papers number 2, volume 1, page 406 and ask -

*In 2015/2016 how much is budgeted for the provision of services in the non-government sector, by sector type (for profit and not-for-profit)?*

Answer:

The vast majority of Commission funding is individualised. Individuals with disability choose which service provider(s) they wish to provide their service(s). The proportion of the budget directed to each sector is therefore determined by individuals and their choices and is not known in advance.



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*Question No. 27: Hon Alanna Clohesy MLC asked-*

I refer to the Budget Papers number 2, volume 1, page 406 and ask -

*What percentage of non-government organisations that the commission provided funding to in 2013/2015 were not-for-profit organisations and what percentage were for-profit organisations?*

Answer:

In 2014/15, 91% of disability service organisations receiving funding from the Commission are not-for-profit and 8% are for-profit entities. 1% are sole traders.

*Question No. 28: Hon Alanna Clohesy MLC asked-*

I refer to the Budget Papers number 2, volume 1, page 406 and ask-

*How has this varied from the previous reporting period.*

Answer:

The percentage has not varied from 2013/14.



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*Question No. 29 Hon Alanna Clohesy MLC asked –*

*Budget paper 2 vol 1 page 408*

*How many agencies and authorities have exceeded their five year cycle of developing a Disability Access and Inclusion Plan without seeking an extension?*

Answer: 17

*Question No. 30 Hon Alanna Clohesy MLC asked –*

*Budget paper 2 vol 1 page 408*

*Please name these agencies / authorities*

Answer:

State Government:

- Parliamentary Commissioner for Administrative Investigations – Office of the Ombudsman

Local Government:

- Shire of Cunderdin
- Shire of Kellerberrin
- Shire of Merredin
- Shire of Murchison
- Shire of Narrogin
- Shire of Ngaanyatjaraku
- Shire of Northam
- Shire of Nungarin
- Shire of Quairading
- Shire of Tammin
- Shire of Toodyay
- Shire of Upper Gascoyne
- Shire of Wandering
- Shire of Wickpin
- Shire of Wongan-Ballidu
- Shire of Yilgarn

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*Question No. 31 Hon Alanna Clohesy MLC asked –*

*Budget paper 2 vol 1 page 408*

*How many public authorities have lodged a Disability Access and Inclusion Plan (DAIP) with the Commission as at 1 January 2015?*

Answer: 216 public authorities had lodged a DAIP with the Commission as at 1 January 2015. Since then eight more DAIPs have been lodged with the Commission.

*Question No. 32 Hon Alanna Clohesy MLC asked –*

*Budget paper 2 vol 1 page 408*

*In 2014/2015 what was the actual expenditure to assess Disability Access and Inclusion Plans (DAIP) for compliance and approval?*

Answer: The Commission provides 1.6 Level 6 DAIP Officers for this function. This equates to \$161,203 in direct salaries, excluding miscellaneous expenses to deliver training and targeted resources.

*Question No. 33 Hon Alanna Clohesy MLC asked –*

*Budget paper 2 vol 1 page 408*

*In 2015/16 what is budgeted for the Commission to assess DAIPs for compliance and approval?*

Answer: The Commission has retained a similar budget for 2015/2016.

*Question No. 34 Hon Alanna Clohesy MLC asked –*

*Budget paper 2 vol 1 page 408*

*In 2016/2017, 2017/2018, 2018/2019 what is budgeted for the Commission to assess DAIPs for compliance and approval?*

Answer: The Commission anticipates no changes to current budgets over the forward estimates period.



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*Question No. 35: Hon Adele Farina MLC asked -*

*I refer to Budget Paper 2 Volume 1 at page 406 "Spending Changes", line item Workforce Renewal Policy, and I ask,*

- a. At 1 May 2008, how many staff, by headcount and FTE, were employed in the South West Region?*

Answer: In 2008 the Commission had the following staff in Lower South West:

- 5.6 x FTE
- 6 x Headcount

- b. Where were the staff identified in a. located, and at what level were they employed?*

Answer: In 2008 the staff were located in the following offices:

Busselton:

- 3.6 x FTE, Level 4/5
- 1 x FTE, Level 6

Manjimup: 1 x FTE, Level 4/5

- c. At 1 May 2015, how many staff, by headcount and FTE, were employed in the South West Region?*

Answer: At the end of the third quarter in 2014/15 the Commission had the following staff in the Lower South West:

- 29.4 x FTE
- 29 x Headcount

- d. Where were the staff identified in c. located and at what level were they employed?*

Answer: At the end of the third quarter in 2014/15 staff were located in the following offices:

Busselton:

- 1 x Level 8
- 2 x Level 7
- 11 x Level 4/5
- 1 x Specified Calling
- 1 x Level 4
- 1 x Level 3
- 2 x Level 1

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- 5 x Level 4/5

Manjimup:

- 5 x Level 4/5

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*Question No. 36: Hon A Farina MLC asked-*

*I refer to Budget paper 2 Volume 1 at page 417 "Agency Special Purpose Account Details", and I ask,*

- a. As at 1 May 2015, how many people are participating in the NDIS/My Way trial in the lower South West?*

Answer: The current WA NDIS My Way Quarterly Report (data extracted on 31 March 2015) shows that 706 individuals had been found eligible for the WA NDIS My Way trial in the Lower South West.

- b. How many people is it anticipated will participate in the NDIS/My Way trial at Cockburn-Kwinana?*

Answer: The National Partnership Agreement states that approximately 2,729 individuals will phase into the WA NDIS My Way Cockburn – Kwinana trial site in 2015/16.



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*Question No. 37 Hon Adele Farina MLC asked –*

*I refer to Budget Paper 2 Volume 1 at page 407 “Significant Issues Impacting the Agency”, and I ask –*

*(a) Has any comparison yet been undertaken between the outcomes being achieved at the Perth Hills NDIS trial site and those being achieved at the lower South West NDIS/My Way trial site?*

Answer: An independent evaluation of both WA trial site models is being conducted throughout the two-year trial period. The first interim report is scheduled to be completed in October 2015, and the final report in August 2016

*(b) If yes to (a), will the Minister table any relevant findings and/or reports*

Answer: The reports will be presented to the Joint Steering committee which is overseeing the trial. The decision on release of findings will rest with that Committee.

*(c) If no to a., when will such comparisons be undertaken?*

Answer: Not applicable



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*Question No. 38: Hon Alanna Clohesy MLC asked-*

*I refer to Budget Paper 2 Volume 1 at page 407 "Significant Issues Impacting the Agency", and I ask*

- a. What accommodation services in the South West have been transitioned from the Commission to non-government disability sector organisations?*

Answer: None. The Commission does not have any accommodation services outside the metropolitan area.

- b. Which non-government disability sector organisations now manage former Commission accommodation services?*

Answer: Nulsen Disability Services, Activ Foundation and Rocky Bay.

- c. When was the transition of each accommodation service referred to in a. complete?*

Answer: There have been no accommodation services transitioned in the South West.



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*Question No. 39 Hon Alanna Clohesy asked –*

*I refer to Budget Paper 2 Volume 1 at page 409 “Services and Key Efficiency Indicators”, line item Accommodation Support, and I ask –*

*(a) Why have 25 per cent of individual plans not been commenced and reviewed within the required timeframe?*

Answer:

This information has not been collected before and will only be available in the Commission’s 2014-15 Annual report. The figure given in the Budget Estimates paper is a conservative estimate not an actual measure of performance. So at this time no comment can be made on plans that do not meet timelines.

*(b) What strategies are being employed to increase the percentage of individual plans commenced and reviewed within the required timeframe?*

Answer: Not applicable. Refer to first part of this question.



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*Question No. 40 Hon Alanna Clohesy asked –*

*I refer to Budget Paper 2 Volume 1 at page 410 “Services and Key Efficiency Indicators”, line item Community-focussed Supports, and I ask –*

*(a) Why have 25 per cent of individual plans not been commenced and reviewed within the required timeframe?*

Answer: This information has not been collected before and will only be available in the Commission’s 2014-15 Annual report. The figure given in the Budget Estimates paper is a conservative estimate not an actual measure of performance. So at this time no comment can be made on plans that do not meet timelines.

*(b) What strategies are being employed to increase the percentage of individual plans commenced and reviewed within the required timeframe?*

Answer: Not applicable. Refer to first part of this question.



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*Question No. 41 Hon Adele Farina MLC asked –*

*I refer to Budget Paper 2 Volume 1 at page 410 “Services and Key Efficiency Indicators”, line item Coordination and Individual Support, and I ask –*

*(a) Why have 25 per cent of individual plans not been commenced and reviewed within the required timeframe?*

Answer: This information has not been collected before and will only be available in the Commission’s 2014-15 Annual report. The figure given in the Budget Estimates paper is a conservative estimate not an actual measure of performance. So at this time no comment can be made on plans that do not meet timelines.

*(b) What strategies are being employed to increase the percentage of individual plans commenced and reviewed within the required timeframe?*

Answer: Not applicable. Refer to first part of this question.



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*Question No. 42 Hon Adele Farina MLC asked –*

*I refer to Budget Paper 2 Volume 1 at page 411 “Services and Key Efficiency Indicators”, line item Family Support, and I ask –*

*(a) Why have 25 per cent of individual plans not been commenced and reviewed within the required timeframe?*

Answer: This information has not been collected before and will only be available in the Commission’s 2014-15 Annual report. The figure given in the Budget Estimates paper is a conservative estimate not an actual measure of performance. So at this time no comment can be made on plans that do not meet timelines.

*(b) What strategies are being employed to increase the percentage of individual plans commenced and reviewed within the required timeframe?*

Answer: Not applicable. Refer to first part of this question.



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*Question No. 43: Hon Adele Farina MLC asked –*

*I refer to Budget Paper 2 Volume 1 at page 412 “Asset investment Program”, line item New Works, and I ask-*

*(a.) Will any of the funds allocated to the Community Disability Housing – 2015-16 Program be expended in the South West?*

Answer: No.

*(b.) If yes a., what funds will be spent and what housing will be delivered?*

Answer: Not applicable.

*(c.) Over the past five years, what is the total of funds expended to deliver Community Disability Housing in the South West region?*

Answer: Over the past five years, no funds were expended through the Commission’s Asset Investment Program; however, the Department of Housing spent \$10.59 million on Community Disability Housing in the South West.

*(d.) Over the past five years, what Community Disability Housing has been delivered in the South West region?*

Answer: Over the past five years, there was no Community Disability Housing delivered in the South West region through the Commission’s Asset Investment Program, however, the Department of Housing delivered 26 houses in the South West through the Community Disability Housing Program.



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*Question No. 44: Hon Stephen Dawson MLC asked –*

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*(a.) Has the General Government Efficiency dividend been rounded to the nearest hundred thousand dollars?*

Answer: No, the General Government Efficiency dividend reported is the actual reduction to the Commission's Budget.

*(b.) What is the basis for the 1% calculation (i.e. what category of their budget is the 1% calculation based upon)?*

Answer: Treasury has made its calculation based on 1% of the agency's cash appropriation.

*(c.) Please provide a breakdown of the 2015-16 Budget Estimate figure (or approximate figure if rounded as (a) above) for the Disability Services Commission?*

Answer: The Commission's 2015-16 Budget Estimates includes an efficiency dividend of \$7.2 million. This is comprised of the following cost categories:

- Employee Entitlements - \$1.79 million
- Supplies and Services - \$5.24 million
- Others - \$0.17 million

*(d.) Please list any changes in assumptions over the 2016-17 Forward Estimate years?*

Answer: Nil changes.



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Wednesday, 24 June 2015

Disability Services Commission

Question No. 45: Hon Stephen Dawson MLC asked –

*I refer to the 15% Procurement Savings measure in the Budget paper No. 1 – Budget Statements, p 406, defined in the 2014-15 Budget as “to reduce non-essential procurement by 15%... includes spending on communications, consultants, consumables and staff travel. The procurement savings do not apply to contracts and services purchased from the not-for-profit sector, nor to direct purchases by schools or patient services in the health sector”. I ask the following of the Minister-*

(a.) *Procurement Savings from the 2014-15 Budget (if any)?*

Answer: Nil changes.

(b.) *Could the Minister please provide a breakdown of the “non-essential procurement” figure used in the calculation by either:*

*i. The categories provided by the department, or*

Answer: The Commission’s 2015-16 Budget Estimates include procurement savings of \$1.48 million. This is comprised of the following cost categories:

- Consumables (including stationery, utilities and minor equipment) - \$1 million
- Communications - \$0.25 million
- Staff travel - \$0.13 million, and
- Other - \$0.1 million.

*ii. A list of significant contracts that the 15% Procurement Savings measure was calculated upon?*

Answer: Nil.

(c.) *The effect (if any) to which the Disability Services Commission is anticipating any reduction in service provided to the public as a result of this budget cut, or whether the Minister anticipates any workforce cuts as a result of meeting this measure?*

Answer: There will be no reduction in service provided to the public or workforce cuts as a result of this measure.



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Disability Services Commission

Question No. 46: Hon Stephen Dawson MLC asked –

*With reference to the Workforce Renewal Policy measure introduced in the prior year's 2014-15 Mid-year review, and included in the 2015-16 State Budget, I ask the Minister-*

- (a.) *An understanding of the basis by which expected employee separations were calculated, including:*
- i. *The period over which historical actual separations were monitored?*

Answer: Three years.

- ii. *Whether this Workforce Renewal Policy calculation was completed on an individual department level, or at a total State Budget level?*

Answer: At an individual departmental level.

- (b.) *To provide the historical actual separations data (by position)?*

Answer: See data attached.

- (c.) *Has the Minister considered the ageing profile of employees for the Disability Services Commission when taking into account the effect of the Workforce Renewal Policy?*

Answer: The methodology stipulated by Treasury did not consider the ageing profile of employees for the Disability Services Commission when calculating the Workforce Renewal Policy.

- (d.) *The effect to which the Disability Services Commission is anticipating any reduction in service provided to the public as a result of this budget cut, or whether the Minister anticipates any further workforce cuts as a result of meeting this measure?*

Answer: No reduction in service provided to the public is anticipated as a result of this budget cut. The Commission will follow Government advice to operationalise the required savings under the Workforce Renewal Policy, including:

- employing replacement staff at lower classification levels
- replacing full-time employees with part-time employees, and
- not replacing an employee at all where possible.



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(e.) *Are there any changes to the definition of front line employees since the Mid-year review that effect the harvesting percentage within the Disability Services Commission?*

Answer: Yes, social trainers have been included as 'front line employees'. This change has been reflected in the 2015-16 Budget Papers. In addition, social trainer positions affected by the accommodation transition process have been excluded from the Workforce Renewal Policy.

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**Question No. 46 (b) - Disability Services Commission Historical Separations by Position (2013-14)**

POSITION TITLE	ANNUAL SALARY	FTE
	\$	
Administrative Officer	42,520	0.80
Administrative Officer	45,327	1.00
Administrative Officer	27,995	0.80
Administrative Officer	20,996	0.60
Advisory Council Chairperson	19,305	1.00
Alternative to Employment Officer	70,165	1.00
Area Manager	114,897	1.00
Assistant Asset Management Officer	59,523	1.00
Assistant Facility Management Officer	18,419	0.60
Behaviour Support Clinician	46,863	0.50
Behaviour Support Clinician/Registrar	51,030	0.50
Behaviour Support Clinician/Registrar	81,120	0.80
Clinical or Educational & Developmental Psychologist/Registrar	93,726	1.00
Clinical or Educational & Developmental Psychologist/Registrar	87,663	1.00
Clinical or Educational & Developmental Psychologist/Registrar	39,474	0.40
Clinical or Educational & Developmental Psychologist/Registrar	47,498	0.45
Clinical or Educational & Developmental Psychologist/Registrar	42,220	0.40
Clinical Psychologist	109,280	1.00
Clinical Psychologist Registrar	63,447	0.70
Clinical Psychology Supervisor	56,143	0.50
Community Social Trainer	28,849	0.43
Community Social Trainer	51,713	0.80
Community Social Trainer	68,287	1.00
Country Resource Occupational Therapist	93,726	1.00
Daily Living Activities Specialist	37,490	0.40
Disability Justice Service Executive Director	158,811	1.00
Domestic	21,898	0.50
Domestic	46,764	1.00
Domestic	40,919	0.88
DSC Board Deputy Chairperson	14,988	1.00
Eligibility Coordinator	66,440	1.00
Executive Assistant	31,447	0.50
Executive Officer	74,845	1.00
Gardener	20,735	0.50
Human Resources Support Officer	23,152	0.40
Local Area Coordinator	28,328	0.40
Local Area Coordinator	43,682	0.60
Local Area Coordinator	74,845	1.00
Local Area Coordinator	72,804	1.00
Local Area Coordinator	87,070	1.00
Local Area Coordinator	72,804	1.00
Local Area Coordinator	40,720	0.50
Local Area Coordinator	52,242	0.60
Local Area Coordinator	87,070	1.00
Local Area Coordinator	72,804	1.00
Local Area Coordinator	43,535	0.50
Local Area Coordinator	81,439	1.00
Local Area Coordinator	87,070	1.00
Local Area Coordinator	78,782	1.00
Local Area Coordinator	74,845	1.00
Local Area Coordinator	76,903	1.00
Local Area Supervisor	74,845	1.00
Local Area Supervisor	74,845	1.00
Local Area Supervisor	74,845	1.00
Management Support Officer	57,879	1.00
Management Support Officer	59,523	1.00
Management Support Officer	61,160	1.00
Mental Health Liaison Nurse	50,529	0.60
Metropolitan Specialist Services Regional Manager	121,013	1.00
Occupational Therapist	71,480	1.00
Occupational Therapist	82,764	1.00
Occupational Therapist	71,480	1.00

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Question No. 46 (b) - Disability Services Commission Historical Separations by Position (2013-14)**

POSITION TITLE	ANNUAL SALARY	FTE
	\$	
Personnel and Payroll Officer	59,523	1.00
Physiotherapist	71,480	1.00
Physiotherapist	66,211	0.80
Planning and Research Officer	78,782	1.00
Policy and Administration Officer	68,287	1.00
Program Support & Development Coordinator	73,341	0.80
Program Support Officer	84,200	1.00
Project Officer	62,894	1.00
Public Affairs Assistant	47,618	0.80
Regional Manager	132,105	1.00
Regional Manager	121,625	1.00
Registered Nurse	16,178	0.21
Resident Services Officer	53,150	1.00
Resident Services Officer	50,669	1.00
Resident Services Officer	46,609	1.00
Sector Development Officer	81,439	1.00
Senior Access & Inclusion Officer	60,910	0.60
Senior Access & Inclusion Officer	101,517	1.00
Senior Community Development Officer	98,055	1.00
Senior Evaluation Officer	94,812	1.00
Senior Evaluation Officer	91,676	1.00
Senior Physiotherapist	72,510	0.80
Senior Planning & Research Officer	101,517	1.00
Senior Policy Officer	94,812	1.00
Senior Policy Officer	40,607	0.40
Senior Psychologist	98,686	1.00
Senior Psychologist	93,726	1.00
Senior Psychologist	70,130	0.80
Senior Sector Development Officer	94,812	1.00
Service Contracting & Development Officer	89,464	1.00
Social Trainer	59,523	1.00
Social Trainer	59,523	1.00
Social Trainer	56,305	1.00
Social Trainer	62,656	1.00
Social Trainer	59,523	1.00
Social Trainer	59,523	1.00
Social Trainer	59,523	1.00
Social Trainer	23,809	0.40
Social Trainer	46,609	1.00
Social Trainer	46,609	1.00
Social Trainer	59,523	1.00
Social Trainer	35,714	0.60
Social Trainer	46,609	1.00
Social Trainer	64,641	1.00
Social Trainer	51,672	1.00
Social Trainer	59,523	1.00
Social Trainer	29,762	0.50
Social Trainer	59,523	1.00
Social Trainer	59,523	1.00
Social Trainer	31,328	0.50
Social Trainer	59,523	1.00
Social Trainer	29,762	0.50
Social Trainer	29,762	0.50
Social Trainer	59,523	1.00
Social Trainer	59,523	1.00
Social Trainer	23,966	0.50
Social Trainer	29,762	0.50
Social Trainer	33,783	0.60
Social Trainer	54,814	1.00
Social Trainer	66,440	1.00
Social Trainer	56,305	1.00
Social Trainer	59,523	1.00

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DISABILITY SERVICES COMMISSION

Question No. 46 (b) - Disability Services Commission Historical Separations by Position (2013-14)

POSITION TITLE	ANNUAL SALARY	FTE
	\$	
Social Trainer	66,440	1.00
Social Trainer	54,814	1.00
Social Trainer	23,966	0.50
Social Trainer	46,609	1.00
Social Trainer	29,762	0.50
Social Trainer	47,931	1.00
Social Trainer	50,669	1.00
Social Trainer	29,762	0.50
Social Trainer	59,523	1.00
Social Trainer	59,523	1.00
Social Trainer	45,327	1.00
Social Trainer	59,523	1.00
Social Trainer	59,523	1.00
Social Trainer	59,523	1.00
Social Trainer	59,523	1.00
Social Trainer	29,762	0.50
Social Trainer	59,523	1.00
Social Trainer	45,327	1.00
Social Trainer	50,457	0.83
Social Trainer	19,314	0.32
Social Trainer	61,160	1.00
Social Trainer	24,464	0.40
Social Trainer	61,160	1.00
Speech Pathologist	49,658	0.60
Speech Pathologist	71,480	1.00
Total Historical Separations		126.61
Adjustment for Concessional Treatment of Social Trainers (60%)		(29.63)
Revised Separations		<u>96.98</u>

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Wednesday, 24 June 2015

Disability Services Commission

*Question No. 47: Hon Stephen Dawson MLC asked –*

*I refer to the Full Time equivalent (FTE) figure in the Disability Services Commission's budget, and ask-*

- (a.) *Please provide a breakdown of the 2013-14 Actual, 2014-15 Estimated Actual and 2015-16 Budget Estimate FTE's figure by:*

Answer: 2013-14 Actual FTE was 1,562

- (i-v) It is not reasonable for the Commission's resources to be utilized providing the position title, position level, gender, age and vacancies for each of the 2013-14 actual, the 2014-15 estimated actual and the 2015-16 budget estimate.

If there is a specific issue the Member wishes to raise, please ask about the issue.

- (b.) *With regard to the changes in calculation methodology noted on Budget Paper No.1 – Budget Statements, p414:*

- i *What is the change in methodology stated?*

Answer: No changes.

- ii *The effect of the change in FTE, on the reported 2015-16 Budget Estimate figure (or prior periods as appropriate).*

Answer: Not applicable.



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**Disability Services Commission**

*Question No. 48 Hon Stephen Dawson, MLC asked –*

*I refer to the Accommodation Support division of the Disability Services Commission, and ask the Minister with regard to the increase in the “Average Cost per Service User” (as per Budget Paper No.1 – Budget Statements, p409):*

*(a) Whether the outsourcing of 60% of the Commission’s accommodation services of Community Residential accommodation, contributed to the increase in Average Cost per Service User?*

Answer: No

*(b) Will the increase in Average Cost per Service User be contained in future periods, with forecast increases in funding in the 2016-17, 2017-18 and 2018-19 Forward Estimates?*

Answer: The Commission is currently reviewing its performance framework. All performance indicators are under review so at this stage it cannot be confirmed that this specific indicator will be presented in the Budget Estimates paper in future years.

*(c) To provide the average percentage capacity figures used in the 2015-16 State Budget for the following years:*

- (i) 2013-14 Actual*
- (ii) 2014-15 Expected Actual*
- (iii) 2015-16 Budget Target*

Answer: “Average percentage capacity” is not a term that is used by the Disability Services Commission. The question will need to be reworded to identify what information is being sought.



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**Disability Services Commission**

*Question No. 49: Hon Stephen Dawson MLC asked –  
With reference to the increase in “Other expenses” within the Disability Services  
Commission’s budget (Budget Paper No.1 – Budget Statements, p414), I ask-*

- (a.) *Please provide a breakdown of the increase in “Other Expenses” by expense category  
over the following periods:*
- i. 2013-14 Actual*
  - ii. 2014-15 Expected Actual*
  - iii. 2015-16 Budget Target*

Answer: The increase in ‘Other Expenses’ from the 2013-14 Actual, to the 2014-15  
Estimated Actual and the out years reflects an overstatement of estimated expenditure. This  
will be adjusted as part of the 2015-16 Mid-year Review. This adjustment will have no  
impact on the overall budget for total expenses.



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**Disability Services Commission**

*Question No. 50: Hon Stephen Dawson MLC asked-*

*With reference to point 3, page 407, can the Minister please provide costings/expenditure incurred specifically for the outsourcing of Commission accommodation services for:*

*a) 2013-14;*

Answer: \$466,898: This includes the funding of an Independent Information Officer, project establishment costs, asset make-good and transfer costs and consumables.

*b) 2014/15;*

Answer: \$467,351: This includes the funding of independent advocacy supports for staff and families, staff supports, asset make-good and transfer costs and consumables.

*c) the budgeted costings for 2015/16 through to 2018-19.*

Answer: A costing estimate exists for 2015/16 only (not future years) as the project is non-ongoing.

Current costings for 2015-16 are estimated at \$60,000, inclusive of independent advocacy supports for staff and families. Property and vehicle transfer and make-good costs are not known for this period; they are dependent on the number of houses that transition during the financial year.



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**Disability Services Commission**

*Question No. 51: Hon Stephen Dawson MLC asked-*

*With reference to point 3, page 407, can the Minister please provide details of those group homes that are on the next (Group 5) list or the future lists of homes to be outsourced?*

Answer: This information is not public. It will be released to those affected and their families in the first instance, shortly prior to the group commencing transition.



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**Disability Services Commission**

*Question No. 52: Hon Stephen Dawson MLC asked-*

*With reference to point 3, page 407, of the Disability Services Commission's budget and the "high level" of satisfaction expressed by individuals and family members about the transition process, can the Minister please provide details of the survey and/or feedback process used to determine the satisfaction level of individuals and families, including:*

- (a) the methodology;*
- (b) sample size; and*
- (c) any other consultation, specifically details of other engagement with the individuals themselves?*

Answer to (a) – (c): The Commission's transition team builds and maintains a relationship with individuals and/or families through the transition process. This extends to engagement with individuals and families following transition, to ensure that new services meet expectations and are functioning well. Through this process, individuals and families have expressed a high level of satisfaction with the transition process and their new service providers. Forty-two individuals have completed their transition and, with their families, have utilised this feedback mechanism.

Beyond this formalised feedback process, the Commission has received independent feedback from family members regarding the process and its outcomes.

In addition, the Director General of the Disability Services Commission and other senior staff have met with individuals/families who have transitioned to monitor satisfaction levels.



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**Disability Services Commission**

*Question No. 53: Hon Stephen Dawson MLC asked-*

*With reference to point 3, page 407 and the Disability Services Commission's commitment to the Substantive Equality Framework, can the Minister please table the "Needs and Impact Assessment" that was conducted prior to the transition process commencing?*

A needs and impact assessment is designed to identify the impact of policies and service delivery practices on minority groups, identify their needs and set objectives to meet the needs and address barriers in service delivery to these groups. Such an assessment was not required for the transition process: a key principle used in identifying people for transition is that the sector is able to meet their individual needs, providing an appropriate service. This includes disability- or culturally- specific needs.



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**Wednesday, 24 June 2015**

**Disability Services Commission**

*Question No. 54: Hon Stephen Dawson MLC asked –*

*PAGE 406 – APPROPRIATIONS, EXPENSES AND CASH ASSETS*

*The 14/15 budget papers detailed forward estimates in 15/16 for an appropriation of \$728,293, the actual appropriation in the 15/16 budget for this year is \$718,830 - what is the reason for the reduction in State government funding?*

Answer: The reduction reflects the various corrective measures approved during the 2015-16 Budget Process, including the 1% efficiency dividend, procurement savings and Workforce Renewal Policy.



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**Disability Services Commission**

*Question No. 55: Hon Stephen Dawson MLC asked –*

*The Workforce renewal policy saving measures increase dramatically over the forward estimates from \$408,000 in 14/14 to \$14,438,000 in 18/19, what is the reason for this?*

Answer: The part-year effect of the Workforce Renewal Policy has been applied in 2014-15. In future years the full year impact of the projected savings from staff separations (each year) will apply.



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**Wednesday, 24 June 2015**

**Disability Services Commission**

*Question No. 56: Hon Stephen Dawson MLC asked-*

*P406 – SIGNIFICANT ISSUES IMPACTING THE AGENCY*

*Has additional support been allocated in the 15/16 budget for Continence Management and Support?*

Answer: No

*Question No. 57: Hon Stephen Dawson MLC asked-*

*P406 – SIGNIFICANT ISSUES IMPACTING THE AGENCY*

*If yes, what funding has been allocated?*

Answer: Not applicable

*Question No. 58: Hon Stephen Dawson MLC asked-*

*P406 – SIGNIFICANT ISSUES IMPACTING THE AGENCY*

*If no. why not?*

Answer: The additional funding provided in 2014/2015 for Continence Management and Support has significantly reduced the unmet demand and the requirement for additional funding in 15/16 will be reviewed during the year. It is noted that people with disability under 65 years of age represent 19% of people accessing the State funded Continence Management and Support Scheme. Under the National Disability Insurance Scheme the Commonwealth Government has responsibility for people over 65years of age.



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**Disability Services Commission**

*Question No. 59: Hon Stephen Dawson MLC asked-*

*P406 – SIGNIFICANT ISSUES IMPACTING THE AGENCY*

*What was the take up for the \$2.5 million allocated in the 14/15 budget? How many people were assisted with the additional funding?*

Answer:

There was 100% take-up of the funds allocated in 2014/15. Over 5,000 people have been assisted through the Continence Management and Support Scheme.



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*Question No. 60, 61,62: Hon Stephen Dawson MLC asked-*

*P 407 – SIGNIFICANT ISSUES IMPACTING THE AGENCY*

60. *Disability Justice Centres – has the scope of the fencing surrounding the centre changed?*

Answer: The scope of the fencing surrounding the Disability Justice Centre has not changed since the tender documentation was issued. The internal security fence is 2400mm (minimum) high and passes between buildings, while the external fence is 3000mm high (minimum) and surrounds the facility linking in to either side of the administration building as per the original technical specifications.

61. *If so why and what is the cost saving if any?*

Answer: N/A.

62. *Were local residents consulted in regards to the fencing changes?*

Answer: N/A.



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*Question No. 63: Hon Stephen Dawson MLC asked- Can the Minister please detail the workforce planning for the Disability Justice Centre, specifically:*

*(a) The FTE (full-time equivalent) staff allocation for the Centre.*

Answer: The FTE staff allocation for the Centre is 33 FTE. This staff allocation also provides support to the prison In-Reach program.

*(b) Whether these workers will be directly employed by the Disability Services Commission or by a non-government or private provider (and if so which provider(s))?*

Answer: All staff are directly employed by the Disability Services Commission.

*(c) The job titles of the staff to be employed at the Centre?*

Answer:

- Disability Justice Centre Manager (x1)
  - Disability Justice Coordinators (x2)
  - Disability Justice Officers (x22)
  - Business Support Officers (x2)
  - Aboriginal Liaison Officer (x1)
- Disability Justice Clinicians (x3) (working across the Centre and Disability Justice Service)

*(d) The qualifications of the staff to be employed at the Centre?*

Answer:

- Disability Justice Centre Manager – relevant tertiary degree (desirable)
- Disability Justice Centre Coordinator – tertiary qualification in relevant discipline (desirable)
- Disability Justice Officer – Certificate III in Disability or other human service discipline, or progress towards. Disability Justice Officers will also be required to complete Certificate IV in Disability within two years of commencement. Training will be provided by the Commission.
- Business Support Officer – N/A
- Aboriginal Liaison Officer – Essential: Certificate of Secondary Education (Year 10) or equivalent. Desirable: Certificate in or progress towards a human services qualification and community engagement or training qualification.
- Disability Justice Clinicians – qualification dependent on the discipline:
  - Tertiary degree qualification in Social Work AND eligible for Ordinary Membership with the Australian Association of Social Workers (AASW); or
  - Tertiary degree qualification in Speech Pathology AND eligible for Practising Membership with Speech Pathology Australia (SPA); or

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**Wednesday, 24 June 2015**

**Disability Services Commission**

*Question 64 Hon Stephen Dawson MLC asked-*

*PAGE 409 – ACCOMMODATION SUPPORT*

*How much funding has been allocated to provide appropriate housing or to enhance support arrangements so that younger people with disability are not residing inappropriately in aged care facilities in the following periods:*

*(a) 2013-2014:*

Answer: Nil growth

*(b) 2014-2015:*

Answer: Growth of \$1.5 million under Age Appropriate Housing Strategy (AAHS). During 2014-15 younger people with disability also accessed funding from the Disability Services Commission's Combined Application Process and other decentralised funding streams to mitigate the risk of inappropriate accommodation placements.

*(c) 2015-2016:*

Answer: Growth of \$0.5 million achieving \$2.0 million ongoing

*(d) 2016-2017:*

Answer: Growth of \$0.5 million achieving \$2.5 million (AAHS) ongoing



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Disability Services Commission

*Question No. 65 Hon Stephen Dawson, MLC asked-*

*SIGNIFICANT ISSUES IMPACTING THE AGENCY*

*How many younger people with disability are currently residing in aged care facilities?*

Answer: As at 4 June 2015 data held by the Commission identifies eight people under age fifty and one person between 50 and 65 residing in an aged care facility. Importantly this data only identifies age care facilities and cannot distinguish in which area of the facility a person resides when in a facility with multiple purposes, for example Brightwater.



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