

**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL STANDING COMMITTEE ON ESTIMATES AND FINANCIAL OPERATIONS**

**ANSWERS TO Questions Prior to Hearing (Round 2)**

**Mental Health Commission**

**The Committee asked:**

1) With respect to the Voluntary Targeted Separation Scheme:

a) Have all separations been completed?

Answer:

Yes. The last separation occurred on 27 April 2018.

b) If not, when do you expect the remaining separations to occur?

Answer:

Not applicable

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#### Mental Health Commission

Hon Alison Xamon MLC asked:

- 1) I refer to the WA State Budget 2020-21, Mental Health Commission, page 350, Details of Controlled Grants and Subsidies, Non-government Grants, "Other", and I ask:
- a) Please advise what programs or activities were funded under the \$1,349,000 2019-20 Actual; and

Answer:

| Programs / Activities   | 2019-20 Actual<br>\$ |
|---|----------------------|
| Grant funding to support the Western Australian Network of Alcohol & other Drug Agencies (WANADA) for work on the provision of an Alcohol and Other Drug (AOD) focussed information system implementation – Service Information Management System (SIMS) database assistance. | \$500,000            |
| Grant funding to provide support for people with psychosocial disability to access the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS).   | \$487,801            |
| Grant funding to support Lifeline WA to fast track the 131411 transition project to ensure the telephone counselling service could be delivered remotely as part of Lifeline WA's COVID-19 response.  | \$115,000            |
| Grant funding to the Western Australian Council on Drug Addictions to deliver the Therapeutic Community Training Course in partnership with the Australasian Therapeutic Communities Association.   | \$72,000             |
| Grant funding to Casson Homes Inc. to provide additional supports to the residents required to be self-isolated at Casson House due to being in close contact with a confirmed case of COVID-19.  | \$61,618             |
| Grant funding to Australian Association for Infant Mental Health (AAIMHI) WA Branch to support the continued implementation of AAIMHI WA competency guidelines endorsement process.   | \$40,560             |
| Grant funding for 2019-20 National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander leadership in mental health work plan.   | \$27,500             |
| Grant funding to Quality Innovation Performance Consulting Pty Ltd in providing support to the service providers to prepare for certification or verification against the NDIS Practice Standards.  | \$23,200             |
| Grant funding to Department of Health and Human Services for the Mental Health Professional Online Development (MHPOD) upgrade for 2019-20.   | \$21,614             |
| <b>TOTAL</b>  | <b>\$1,349,293</b>   |

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b) Please advise what will be funded under the \$32,000 2020-21 Budget Estimate?

Answer:

| <b>Programs / Activities</b>  | <b>2020-21 Actual<br/>\$</b> |
|---|------------------------------|
| Grant funding to Department of Health and Human Services for the Mental Health Professional Online Development (MHPOD) upgrade for 2019-20. | \$22,000                     |
| Provision for general grant funding   | \$10,000                     |
| <b>TOTAL</b>  | <b>\$32,000</b>              |

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#### Hon Martin Aldridge MLC asked:

1) I refer to Page 311 of Budget Paper 2, sub heading Spending Changes- COVID-19 Recovery Plan', and I ask:

- a) please breakdown the \$12.4 million allocated to 'Adjustment to Mental Health Hospital Services' in 2020-21, and explain the doubling in cost from 2019-20;

Answer:

The \$12.4 million referred to is additional funding in 2020-21 representing the review of the activity demand and price and cost escalation for Mental Health inpatient hospital services provided by Hospital Service Providers.

The increase in 2019-20 reflects an adjustment to the original activity estimate by the Independent Health Pricing Authority which flows into the 2020-21 funded activity.

The 2019-20 funding uplift relates the increased activity adjustment and escalates in 2020-21 to \$10 million inpatient funding with the remaining increases reflecting the increase in the demand driver estimated by the Age Weighted Population Growth Rate which is applied to both the inpatient and non-admitted hospital services.

The doubling of the funding in 2020-21 compared to 2019-20 relates to the flow through activity adjustment made in 2019-20 and escalating in 2020-21 based on the Independent Health Pricing Authority adjustment.

- b) please breakdown the \$1.49 million allocated to 'Immediate Mental Health Response to COVID-19' in 2020-21; and

Answer:

| Initiatives   | 2020-21          |
|---|------------------|
| Expand Clinical in-reach into private psychiatric hostels – East Metropolitan Health Service  | 383,000          |
| Expand Clinical in-reach into private psychiatric hostels – North Metropolitan Health Service | 207,000          |
| Urgent Mental Health Telephone Support Line – Children and Adolescent Health Service          | 250,000          |
| Mental Health Emergency Response Line – East Metropolitan Health Service                      | 200,000          |
| General Practitioner Mental Health Hotline – WA Country Health Service                        | 150,000          |
| Peer Workers Pilot Project at Fiona Stanley Hospital – South Metropolitan Health Service      | 300,000          |
| <b>Total Funding</b>  | <b>1,490,000</b> |

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- c) please breakdown the \$4.1 million allocated to 'Mental Health Patient Transport' and explain why it is only required in 2020-21 and 2021-22?

Answer:...

Referred to Department of Health.

- 2) I refer to the government's response to the Methamphetamine Action Plan Taskforce Report and I ask:

- a) How much did the commission receive in each of the previous estimate years, the 2020-21 budget year and each year of the forward estimates for this purpose;

Answer:

| Financial year                              | 2017-18<br>\$m | 2018-19<br>\$m | 2019-20<br>\$m | 2020-21<br>\$m | 2021-22<br>\$m | 2022-23<br>\$m | 2023-24<br>\$m |
|---|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Approved funding received by the Commission | 5.6            | 7.3            | 9.8            | 18.2           | 21.4           | 24.6           | 24.9           |

- b) Please provide a breakdown of funded activities in 2020-21;

Answer:

| Breakdown of funded activities  | 2020-21<br>\$m |
|---|----------------|
| Continuation of current North West Drug and Alcohol Support Program - Kimberley | 6.5            |
| Community Treatment Facilities  | 5.6            |
| Southwest Alcohol Other D Residential Rehabilitation & Treatment Service        | 2.7            |
| Midland Intervention Centre   | 1.5            |
| Kimberley AOD services - 4 low medical withdrawal beds                          | 0.7            |
| Continuation of School Drug Education Road Aware Program                        | 0.3            |
| Kimberley AOD services - Youth Services   | 0.2            |
| Expansion of existing Transitional Housing and Support Program                  | 0.2            |
| Continuation of Strong Spirit Strong Mind workforce training                    | 0.2            |
| Continuation of frontline AOD workforce training                                | 0.2            |
| Continuation of Peer Education Program  | 0.1            |
| <b>TOTAL</b>  | <b>18.2</b>    |

- c) Please explain any funding changed in the 2020-21 budget year and each year of the forward estimates and?

Answer:

Subsequent to the 2019-20 Budget process, additional funding of \$5.853 million has been provided for the Continuation of the South West AOD Residential Rehabilitation and Treatment Services (\$0.032m in 2020-21, \$0.071m in 2021-22, \$2.837m in 2022-23 and \$2.913m in 2023-24).

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