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QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Answers to the following questions on notice were circulated on the date shown.

Questions have been incorporated from the notice paper of the Legislative Council.

Answers have been incorporated in the form supplied by the departments on behalf of the appropriate ministers.

The portfolio of the minister answering the question on notice starts each heading.

Tuesday, 4 December 2007

Health: mental health beds

382. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Community Services (for the Minister for Health): Regarding waiting times for mental health beds for the years 2004-05, 2005-06 and 1 July to the present, what are the specific figures for each public hospital in the State regarding the percentage of emergency patients that were admitted to a mental health bed within —

- (a) 4 hours;
- (b) 8 hours;
- (c) 12 hours; and
- (d) 24 hours.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The question raised sits within the portfolio responsibility of the Minister for Mental Health.

Water: Southern Rural Water aquifers

400. MS HARTLAND — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Water): In relation to underground aquifers in areas administered by Southern Regional Water:

- (1) How much water is available in the aquifers.
- (2) How many bores exist on the aquifers and, of these —
 - (a) How many are active;
 - (b) Do all active bores have licences and, if not —
 - (i) why not; and
 - (ii) how many are unlicensed.
 - (c) How much water is drawn off them —
 - (i) under licence; and
 - (ii) from unlicensed bores.
 - (d) Do all active bores have meters and, if not —
 - (i) why not; and
 - (ii) how is it determined whether the bores are complying with limits for maximum water use.
 - (e) Were all bores marked on Ministry of Mines maps transferred to Southern Rural Water and, if not —
 - (i) why not; and
 - (ii) how many were not transferred.

- (f) Are all existing bores represented on maps owned by Southern Rural Water.
- (3) In relation to the allocation of new licenses for bores,
 - (a) What mechanisms exist to ensure the equitable allocation of new licenses.
 - (b) What mechanisms are in place to ensure existing farms drawing on bores with proposed new licenses are not disadvantaged by the provision of such licenses.
- (4) How much water is being drawn off each aquifer.
- (5) To what static level of water does Southern Regional Water intend to allow the Hawkesdale Groundwater Management Area to drop.
- (6) What guarantees exist to ensure there is no —
 - (a) over-allocation of water in the aquifers; and
 - (b) seawater ingress to the aquifers as a result of over-allocation.
- (7) For Southern Rural Water's current aquifer study —
 - (a) which consultancy firm has been contracted.
 - (b) what experts have been or will be retained to carry out the hydrology analysis; and
 - (c) will the study be independently audited and, if not, why not.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Information about groundwater use and entitlements administered by Southern Rural Water (SRW) is publicly available from a number of sources.

Comprehensive information on numbers of bores, related licences and metering is available in the recently released State Water Report 2005-06, (available at www.dse.vic.gov.au) particularly Appendix A of the report which commences on page 331. Southern Rural Water's Annual Report 2005-06 also contains information about its groundwater management.

Section 40 of the *Water Act 1989* provides the mechanisms for the equitable assessment of new licence applications. This section requires consideration of the current and future use of the resource and impacts on the aquifer.

Another valuable source of information is the Victorian Water Resources Data Warehouse located at www.vicwaterdata.net/vicwaterdata/home.aspx

The Hawkesdale Groundwater Management Area (GMA) was declared on 1 May 2006. On 28 August 2006 the former Minister for Water signed the Hawkesdale GMA Permissible Consumptive Volume Order 2006. This Order caps extraction from the GMA to 16,161 ML in any twelve month period commencing from the date of the Order.

Sinclair Knight Merz is currently undertaking a Groundwater Resource Appraisal of the Hawkesdale GMA. This study will be independently audited by Dr Gavin Mudd of Monash University in November, 2007.

Senior Victorians: positive ageing campaign

419. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Community Services (For the Minister for Senior Victorians): In relation to the Government's positive ageing campaign:

- (1) What monitoring and accountability mechanisms will be developed to track and evaluate the impact of the Government's positive ageing programs.
- (2) How will these mechanisms assess the success of the positive ageing campaign.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- (1) All grants made through the Positive Ageing Program are required to report against the requirements specified in their Funding and Service Agreement (FSA).
Monitoring of performance against these requirements is conducted in accordance with the FSA.
- (2) The success of the Positive Ageing program will be measured against the performance criteria set out for each of the funded projects.

Planning: building access

443. MR BARBER — To ask the Minister for Planning: In relation to the Australian Building Codes Board (ABCB) meeting in May 2005:

- (1) What was the Victorian Government's position on accessibility of public and commercial buildings.
- (2) Does the Victorian Government remain committed to the unanimous position adopted by the ABCB at this meeting.
- (3) What was the Victorian Government's position on the proposed standard on Access to Premises under the Commonwealth *Disability Discrimination Act 1992* (DDA) and associated Building Code of Australia amendments.
- (4) Did the Victorian Government press for diminution, enhancement or maintenance of the accessibility levels in the proposed Access to Premises standard.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

In May 2005, the Australian Building Codes Board (ABCB) considered the advice of the Building Access Policy Committee on Disability Standards for Access to Premises (Premises Standard) and put forward a proposal to the Federal Minister for Industry, Tourism and Resources and the Federal Attorney-General for their consideration. The ABCB's advice to the Ministers remains confidential at this time.

The Victorian Government is represented on the ABCB. It supports the enhancement of the accessibility levels in the proposed Access to Premises Standard but is disappointed that the relevant Federal Ministers have not yet made a decision.

The Victorian Government supports national consistency in the regulation of building standards. We will continue to urge the Federal Government to act decisively on this matter.

Education: school modernisation and upgrading

564. MR P. R. DAVIS — To ask the Treasurer (for the Minister for Education): What are the names of the 131 schools nominated for upgrade in the 2007-08 Budget and what is the exact dollar amount invested in each school.

ANSWER:

I am informed as follows:

The *Public Sector Asset Investment Program – Budget Information Paper No. 1* (BIP1) is compiled in association with the annual Budget Papers to inform Parliament and the community about Victoria's capital asset program and has been produced annually since 1984-85. BIP1 presents:

- detailed listings of major asset investment in 2007-08 for the general government sector and for major public non financial corporations;
- summary information for a number of significant corporations that provide goods and services in a commercial market place; and
- major public sector asset investment projects being delivered under *Partnerships Victoria* during 2007-08.

Projects with Total Estimated Expenditure (TEI) equal to or greater than \$100,000 are reported. The document does not include projects due for completion with planned capital expenditure of less than \$30,000 in 2007-08.

BIP1 for 2007-08 was released by the Treasurer on 19 September 2007.

Details of school projects for 2007-08 can be found in BIP1 on pages 28-35 inclusive.

Proposals for funding of school projects for future years will be developed and assessed according to the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development's policy framework, the *Capital Investment and Access Planning* policy. This policy is used to assess all proposals for capital investment and focuses on redefining and rebuilding learning environments to meet the needs of educational communities. Once proposals have met the requirements of the policy, they will be considered for funding in future State Budgets.

Education: school modernisation and upgrading

565. MR P. R. DAVIS — To ask the Treasurer (for the Minister for Education): What is the exact dollar amount of funding that each of the 43 schools, that were named in the 2007-08 Budget, will receive in the modernisation projects in Stage 1 of the Victorian Schools Plan and when will that funding be forthcoming.

ANSWER:

I am informed as follows:

The ten year Victorian Schools Plan will transform Victorian schools and it is starting with the largest single year investment in school infrastructure in Victoria's history. In the 2007-08 Budget \$555 million has been allocated to rebuild, renovate or extend 131 schools. Projects will be commenced during this year, and funding will be provided to meet the agreed project scope.

As announced in the 2007-08 Budget, the 43 schools that will be funded for modernisations are:

- Ballarat Secondary College – East Campus
- Beaconsfield Upper Primary School
- Beechworth Secondary College
- Bentleigh Secondary College
- Bentleigh West Primary School
- Black Hill Primary School
- Box Hill High School
- Brauer Secondary College
- Buckley Park Secondary College
- Caroline Springs P-9 (Brookside Campus)
- Carranballac P-9 College (Boardwalk Campus)
- Coburg Senior High School
- Cranbourne West Primary School
- Drouin Secondary College
- East Doncaster Secondary College
- Echuca College
- Elsternwick Primary School

Euroa Secondary College
 Geelong South Primary School
 Gladesville Primary School
 Glendal Primary School
 Greenhills Primary School
 Inverleigh Primary School
 Karingal Park Secondary College
 Kent Park Primary School
 Kinglake West Primary School
 Kurnai College – Maryvale Campus
 Macclesfield Primary School
 Mill Park Primary School
 Mount Waverley Primary School
 New Gisborne Primary School
 North Melbourne Primary School
 North Shore Primary School
 Oberon High School
 Parkdale Secondary College
 Point Lonsdale Primary School
 Roberts McCubbin Primary School
 Sale College (McAlister Campus)
 Tate Street Primary School
 Torquay P-9 School
 Upwey High School
 Vermont Secondary College
 Werribee Secondary College

Education: school modernisation and upgrading

568. MR P. R. DAVIS — To ask the Treasurer (for the Minister for Education): What is the exact dollar amount of funding that each of the six rural schools, that were named in the 2007-08 Budget, will receive to replace relocatables and when will that funding be forthcoming.

ANSWER:

I am informed as follows:

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Projects with Total Estimated Expenditure (TEI) equal to or greater than \$100,000 are reported. The document does not include projects due for completion with planned capital expenditure of less than \$30,000 in 2007-08.

BIP1 for 2007-08 was released by the Treasurer on 19 September 2007.

Details of school projects for 2007-08 can be found in BIP1 on pages 28-35 inclusive. Funding for each project will be determined once design work has been completed.

Proposals for funding of school projects for future years will be developed and assessed according to the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development’s policy framework, the *Capital Investment and Access Planning* policy. This policy is used to assess all proposals for capital investment and focuses on redefining and rebuilding learning environments to meet the needs of educational communities. Once proposals have met the requirements of the policy, they will be considered for funding in future State Budgets.

Senior Victorians: elder abuse prevention project

570. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Community Services (for the Minister for Senior Victorians): In relation to the Government’s Elder Abuse Prevention project:

- (1) What is the scheduled date for the community education centre and older person’s legal centre to commence.
- (2) When will cases of elder abuse be able to be reported to the Government.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- (1) It is anticipated that the Elder Abuse Prevention and Community Education Centre will be operational in early 2008.
- (2) Cases of elder abuse are currently reported to Victoria Police.

Mental health: inpatient psychiatric beds

597. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Community Services (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to adult inpatient psychiatric beds:

- (1) How many adult inpatient psychiatric beds are currently operational in Victorian public hospitals.
- (2) At which hospitals are these beds located.
- (3) How many of these beds are currently operational at each hospital.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- (1) As at 31 August 2007 there are a total of 763 adult inpatient beds in operation in public hospitals providing mental health services.

(2) – (3)

The following table details the public hospitals and the number of adult beds in operation.

Hospital	Number of Adult General Acute beds in operation	Number of Secure Extended Care beds in operation	Number of Specialist Adult beds in operation	Total
The Alfred	54		4	58
Austin Health	15	25	40	80
Ballarat Hospital	23	12		35
Bendigo Hospital	24	8		32
Box Hill Hospital	25			25

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Hospital	Number of Adult General Acute beds in operation	Number of Secure Extended Care beds in operation	Number of Specialist Adult beds in operation	Total
Broadmeadows Hospital	25			25
Casey Hospital	25			25
Dandenong Hospital	47	20		67
Frankston Hospital	29			29
Geelong Hospital	20	3		23
Goulburn Valley Health	15			15
Latrobe Regional Hospital	25	6		31
Maroondah Hospital	30			30
Werribee Mercy Hospital	25		8	33
Orygen Youth Health	16			16
Mildura Base Hospital	10			10
Monash Medical Centre	28		8	36
The Northern Hospital	25			25
Royal Melbourne Hospital	29		16	45
St Vincent's Hospital	39		5	44
Sunshine Hospital	25	26		51
North Eastern Health - Wangaratta	15			15
South West Health Care	10	3		13
Total	579	103	81	763

Mental health: inpatient psychiatric beds

598. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Community Services (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to aged person’s inpatient psychiatric beds:

- (1) How many aged person’s inpatient psychiatric beds are currently operational in Victorian public hospitals.
- (2) At which hospitals are these beds located.
- (3) How many of these beds are currently operational at each hospital.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- (1) As at 31 August 2007 there are a total of 215 aged persons beds in operation in hospitals providing mental health services.

(2) – (3)

The following table details the hospitals and the number of aged persons beds in operation.

Hospital	Number of Aged Persons beds in operation
Caulfield General Medical Centre	15
Ballarat Hospital	10
Bendigo Hospital	10

Hospital	Number of Aged Persons beds in operation
Peter James Centre	30
Broadmeadows Hospital	19
Bundoora Extended Care Centre	15
Dandenong Hospital	10
Frankston Hospital	15
Geelong Hospital	4
Goulburn Valley Health	5
Latrobe Regional Hospital	10
Kingston Centre	20
Mildura Base Hospital	2
St George's Hospital	20
Sunshine Hospital	20
North Eastern Health - Wangaratta	5
South West Health Care	5
Total	215

Mental health: suicide prevention initiatives

633. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Community Services (for the Minister for Mental Health) with reference to funding for suicide prevention initiatives:

- (1) How much money was spent on suicide prevention initiatives/programs in the years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07.
- (2) What is the name and location of all suicide prevention initiatives/programs that received funding in the 2006-07 budget.
- (3) How much money is allocated to suicide prevention services in the 2007-08 budget.
- (4) What is the name and location of all suicide prevention initiatives/programs that will receive funding in the 2007-08 budget and how much money will each program/initiative receive.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

(1) & (2)

The Victorian Government provides over \$23.9 million per annum to Suicide Prevention across a range of government programs. *Next Steps: Victoria's suicide prevention forward action plan 2006* is an integrated whole of government framework encompassing primary prevention, early intervention, intervention, postvention, research and information monitoring.

As well as funding specialist mental health services, there is embedded activity across government which addresses suicide prevention. This includes community strengthening in a diverse range of areas including primary health, corrections and programs within the Department of Planning and Community Development.

(3) & (4).

Many of these programs target high risk groups and include:

- Primary prevention and intervention for young people through generic programs in schools and specialist services
- Primary and early intervention for Indigenous, gay and lesbian, and rural and regional Victorians
- Early intervention for those affected by mental illness
- Intervention for offenders.

Victoria invests in research on depression through the *beyondblue* Victorian Centre of Excellence in Depression and Related Disorders. \$1.2 million per annum is provided for this purpose with an additional \$2.3 million p.a. provided to *beyondblue* to support its various community awareness and education programs.

Mental health: discharge planning

635. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Community Services (for the Minister for Mental Health) with reference to discharge planning from the public mental health system:

- (1) Against which standards does the department assess each area mental health service's discharge protocol; standard 11.5 of the National Standards for Mental Health Services or the Chief Psychiatrist's Guidelines for discharge planning.
- (2) How many discharge plans were issued in each separate area mental health service over the year 2006-07.
- (3) What percentage of discharge plans satisfied all assessment standards.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- 1) Discharge planning is part of the operational responsibility of Health Services. Area mental health services (AMHS) are part of Health Services, which participate in the regular accreditation cycle through the Australian Council on Healthcare Standards (ACHS). The National Standards for Mental Health Services and the Chief Psychiatrists Guidelines provide a framework for assessing compliance and continuous quality improvement as part of accreditation.

Since 2004/05 the Mental Health Branch has provided additional funds to support improved capacity for discharge planning and has worked with AMHS and GPDV to encourage greater collaboration on discharge planning supported by the development of protocols.

- 2) All mental health clients, and where appropriate their carers, are expected to participate in the development of an individual service plan while they receive treatment and care through AMHS. In addition, all involuntary patients are required under legislation to have a treatment plan, which is expected to specify discharge planning and follow-up care. It is expected that as part of routine practice, when the client no longer needs the assistance and support of the public mental health system, a discharge summary is prepared and sent to the GP and/or relevant service provider of the discharged client.
- 3) The assessment of discharge plans against standards is the responsibility of AMHS clinicians and their managers.

Public transport: myki ticketing system

682. MS HARTLAND — To ask the Minister for Industry and State Development (for the Minister for Public Transport): In relation to the proposed myki transport ticketing system being developed by the Transport Ticketing Authority and in view of the large numbers of people with a disability who have

done individually tailored training to use the public transport system: How much funding will be made available to retrain individual people with a disability to use the new myki system.

ANSWER:

As at the date the question was raised, the answer is:

An extensive community education program is being undertaken to inform people throughout the State about myki prior to its introduction. Community groups, especially those that represent the elderly and people with disabilities, will be a focus of the program which will be tailored to ensure their information needs are met in relation to the new technology.

It is not possible to determine the precise cost to retrain individual people with a disability to use the new myki system, as many of the training and education resources and activities will target a range of customers.

Senior Victorians: Mornington centre

690. MR O'DONOHUE — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Senior Victorians): In relation to the new Mornington Centre Promoting Independence State 1, currently under construction and due to commence operations in August 2007:

- (1) Does the Centre's design allow for the capture of storm water from the roof of the building.
- (2) Does the Centre's design allow for the capture and re-cycling of storm water from the hard-standing areas, driveways and parking areas of the building.
- (3) If the new Centre has been fitted with water tanks —
 - (a) what is the capacity of these tanks; and
 - (b) what purpose will the captured water be used for.
- (4) If the new Centre has not been fitted with storm water capture, recycling and storage facilities, does the Government intend to retro-fit them once it is operational.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- (1) The design of the building allows for stormwater capture from the roof.
- (2) The design allows for the hard-stand run off to be directed to the main storm water drainage via an open grassed swale drain which allows some seepage back into the sub soil. It was considered cost prohibitive to harvest the ground stormwater, as there is numerous filtration systems required to treat the water and it was considered that there would be sufficient roof stormwater to irrigate the current landscaping.
- (3) Water storage tanks are being provided to the Centre. The tank capacity will be 20,000 litres.
- (4) Water storage tanks are being provided to the Centre. The harvested rainwater will be used for irrigation.

Community services: disability services — budget allocations

708. MRS COOTE — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Community Services): What budget allocation has been made for 2007-08 for the Disability Advisory Council.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The budget allocation for the Victorian Disability Advisory Council is \$48,000 for 2007–08.

Community services: disability services — budget allocations

709. MRS COOTE — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Community Services): What budget allocation has been made for 2007-08 for the Office of Disability as located in the Department for Victorian Communities.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The budget allocation for 2007-08 for the Office for Disability as located in the (then) Department for Victorian Communities is \$6.4 million.

Community services: disability services — policy development

710. MRS COOTE — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Community Services): In relation to the implementation of the *Disability Act 2006* and the development of policies and guidelines: How many submissions were received contributing to the development of —

- (a) Access Policy;
- (b) Planning Policy;
- (c) Complaints Policy;
- (d) Provision of Information Policy;
- (e) Guidelines for setting and collection of Residential Charges–Community Service Organisations;
- (f) Rights and Accountability: Management of Money Policy;
- (g) Strengthening Rights in Residential Services Policy;
- (h) Access to ongoing disability support: DSR Registration Guidelines; and
- (i) Access to ongoing disability support: Resource Coordination and Allocation Guidelines.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

In relation to the implementation of the *Disability Act 2006* and the development of policies and guidelines the following numbers of submissions were received:

- (a) Access Policy – 31 submissions;
- (b) Planning Policy- 41 submissions;
- (c) Complaints Policy- 11 submissions;
- (d) Provision of Information Policy- 9 submissions;
- (e) Guidelines for setting and collection of Residential Charges – Community Service Organisations – 5 submissions;
- (f) Rights and Accountability: Management of Money Policy – 6 submissions;
- (g) Strengthening Rights in Residential Services Policy- 18 submissions;
- (h) Access to ongoing disability support: DSR Registration Guidelines – These guidelines were developed to support the introduction of the Disability Support Register on 1 April 2006 and were not developed to support the implementation of the Act; and
- (i) Access to ongoing disability support: Resource Coordination and Allocation Guidelines – These guidelines were developed to support the introduction of the Disability Support Register on 1 April 2006 and were not developed to support the implementation of the Act.

National Disability Services, the peak body for disability service providers, provided a submission relevant to each policy area based on feedback from a number of their member organisations.

Health: mental health patients — Austin Hospital

735. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Health): In relation to data captured by the Department of Human Services regarding mental health patients at the Austin Hospital:

- (1) What percentage of mental health patients was noted as having pre-admission contact (in the seven days prior to admission) in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (2) What percentage of mental health patients was noted as having post-discharge follow up in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (3) What percentage of mental health patients waited in the emergency department for longer than eight hours before gaining access to a mental health bed.
- (4) What percentage of mental health patients received inpatient care for longer than 35 days in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (5) What percentage of mental health patients treated in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07 resided in this hospital's catchment area.
- (6) What was the mental health bed occupancy rate in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (7) What was the level of unplanned re-admissions (within 28 days) in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (8) What is the average length of stay for patients staying between one and 35 days.
- (9) How many mental health beds per 10,000 population are there in this hospital's catchment area.
- (10) What is this hospital's catchment area.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The question raised sits within the portfolio responsibility of the Minister for Mental Health.

Health: mental health patients — Alfred hospital

736. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Health): In relation to data captured by the Department of Human Services regarding mental health patients at the Alfred Hospital:

- (1) What percentage of mental health patients was noted as having pre-admission contact (in the seven days prior to admission) in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (2) What percentage of mental health patients was noted as having post-discharge follow up in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (3) What percentage of mental health patients waited in the emergency department for longer than eight hours before gaining access to a mental health bed.
- (4) What percentage of mental health patients received inpatient care for longer than 35 days in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (5) What percentage of mental health patients treated in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07 resided in this hospital's catchment area.
- (6) What was the mental health bed occupancy rate in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (7) What was the level of unplanned re-admissions (within 28 days) in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.

- (8) What is the average length of stay for patients staying between one and 35 days.
- (9) How many mental health beds per 10,000 population are there in this hospital's catchment area.
- (10) What is this hospital's catchment area.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The question raised sits within the portfolio responsibility of the Minister for Mental Health.

Health: mental health patients — Ballarat Base Hospital

737. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Health): In relation to data captured by the Department of Human Services regarding mental health patients at Ballarat Base Hospital:

- (1) What percentage of mental health patients was noted as having pre-admission contact (in the seven days prior to admission) in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (2) What percentage of mental health patients was noted as having post-discharge follow up in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (3) What percentage of mental health patients waited in the emergency department for longer than eight hours before gaining access to a mental health bed.
- (4) What percentage of mental health patients received inpatient care for longer than 35 days in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (5) What percentage of mental health patients treated in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07 resided in this hospital's catchment area.
- (6) What was the mental health bed occupancy rate in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (7) What was the level of unplanned re-admissions (within 28 days) in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (8) What is the average length of stay for patients staying between one and 35 days.
- (9) How many mental health beds per 10,000 population are there in this hospital's catchment area.
- (10) What is this hospital's catchment area.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The question raised sits within the portfolio responsibility of the Minister for Mental Health.

Health: mental health patients — Geelong Hospital

738. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Health): In relation to data captured by the Department of Human Services regarding mental health patients at Geelong Hospital:

- (1) What percentage of mental health patients was noted as having pre-admission contact (in the seven days prior to admission) in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (2) What percentage of mental health patients was noted as having post-discharge follow up in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (3) What percentage of mental health patients waited in the emergency department for longer than eight hours before gaining access to a mental health bed.

- (4) What percentage of mental health patients received inpatient care for longer than 35 days in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (5) What percentage of mental health patients treated in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07 resided in this hospital's catchment area.
- (6) What was the mental health bed occupancy rate in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (7) What was the level of unplanned re-admissions (within 28 days) in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (8) What is the average length of stay for patients staying between one and 35 days.
- (9) How many mental health beds per 10,000 population are there in this hospital's catchment area.
- (10) What is this hospital's catchment area.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The question raised sits within the portfolio responsibility of the Minister for Mental Health.

Health: mental health patients — Bendigo Hospital

739. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Health): In relation to data captured by the Department of Human Services regarding mental health patients at Bendigo Hospital:

- (1) What percentage of mental health patients was noted as having pre-admission contact (in the seven days prior to admission) in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (2) What percentage of mental health patients was noted as having post-discharge follow up in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (3) What percentage of mental health patients waited in the emergency department for longer than eight hours before gaining access to a mental health bed.
- (4) What percentage of mental health patients received inpatient care for longer than 35 days in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (5) What percentage of mental health patients treated in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07 resided in this hospital's catchment area.
- (6) What was the mental health bed occupancy rate in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (7) What was the level of unplanned re-admissions (within 28 days) in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (8) What is the average length of stay for patients staying between one and 35 days.
- (9) How many mental health beds per 10,000 population are there in this hospital's catchment area.
- (10) What is this hospital's catchment area.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The question raised sits within the portfolio responsibility of the Minister for Mental Health.

Health: mental health patients — Box Hill Hospital

740. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Health): In relation to data captured by the Department of Human Services regarding mental health patients at Box Hill Hospital:

- (1) What percentage of mental health patients was noted as having pre-admission contact (in the seven days prior to admission) in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (2) What percentage of mental health patients was noted as having post-discharge follow up in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (3) What percentage of mental health patients waited in the emergency department for longer than eight hours before gaining access to a mental health bed.
- (4) What percentage of mental health patients received inpatient care for longer than 35 days in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (5) What percentage of mental health patients treated in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07 resided in this hospital's catchment area.
- (6) What was the mental health bed occupancy rate in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (7) What was the level of unplanned re-admissions (within 28 days) in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (8) What is the average length of stay for patients staying between one and 35 days.
- (9) How many mental health beds per 10,000 population are there in this hospital's catchment area.
- (10) What is this hospital's catchment area.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The question raised sits within the portfolio responsibility of the Minister for Mental Health.

Health: mental health patients — Casey Hospital

741. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Health): In relation to data captured by the Department of Human Services regarding mental health patients at Casey Hospital:

- (1) What percentage of mental health patients was noted as having pre-admission contact (in the seven days prior to admission) in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (2) What percentage of mental health patients was noted as having post-discharge follow up in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (3) What percentage of mental health patients waited in the emergency department for longer than eight hours before gaining access to a mental health bed.
- (4) What percentage of mental health patients received inpatient care for longer than 35 days in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (5) What percentage of mental health patients treated in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07 resided in this hospital's catchment area.
- (6) What was the mental health bed occupancy rate in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (7) What was the level of unplanned re-admissions (within 28 days) in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (8) What is the average length of stay for patients staying between one and 35 days.
- (9) How many mental health beds per 10,000 population are there in this hospital's catchment area.
- (10) What is this hospital's catchment area.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The question raised sits within the portfolio responsibility of the Minister for Mental Health.

Health: mental health patients — Dandenong Hospital

742. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Health): In relation to data captured by the Department of Human Services regarding mental health patients at Dandenong Hospital:

- (1) What percentage of mental health patients was noted as having pre-admission contact (in the seven days prior to admission) in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (2) What percentage of mental health patients was noted as having post-discharge follow up in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (3) What percentage of mental health patients waited in the emergency department for longer than eight hours before gaining access to a mental health bed.
- (4) What percentage of mental health patients received inpatient care for longer than 35 days in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (5) What percentage of mental health patients treated in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07 resided in this hospital's catchment area.
- (6) What was the mental health bed occupancy rate in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (7) What was the level of unplanned re-admissions (within 28 days) in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (8) What is the average length of stay for patients staying between one and 35 days.
- (9) How many mental health beds per 10,000 population are there in this hospital's catchment area.
- (10) What is this hospital's catchment area.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The question raised sits within the portfolio responsibility of the Minister for Mental Health.

Health: mental health patients — Frankston Hospital

743. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Health): In relation to data captured by the Department of Human Services regarding mental health patients at Frankston Hospital:

- (1) What percentage of mental health patients was noted as having pre-admission contact (in the seven days prior to admission) in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (2) What percentage of mental health patients was noted as having post-discharge follow up in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (3) What percentage of mental health patients waited in the emergency department for longer than eight hours before gaining access to a mental health bed.
- (4) What percentage of mental health patients received inpatient care for longer than 35 days in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (5) What percentage of mental health patients treated in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07 resided in this hospital's catchment area.
- (6) What was the mental health bed occupancy rate in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (7) What was the level of unplanned re-admissions (within 28 days) in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (8) What is the average length of stay for patients staying between one and 35 days.
- (9) How many mental health beds per 10,000 population are there in this hospital's catchment area.
- (10) What is this hospital's catchment area.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The question raised sits within the portfolio responsibility of the Minister for Mental Health.

Health: mental health patients — Goulburn Valley Health

744. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Health): In relation to data captured by the Department of Human Services regarding mental health patients at Goulburn Valley Health:

- (1) What percentage of mental health patients was noted as having pre-admission contact (in the seven days prior to admission) in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (2) What percentage of mental health patients was noted as having post-discharge follow up in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (3) What percentage of mental health patients waited in the emergency department for longer than eight hours before gaining access to a mental health bed.
- (4) What percentage of mental health patients received inpatient care for longer than 35 days in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (5) What percentage of mental health patients treated in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07 resided in this hospital's catchment area.
- (6) What was the mental health bed occupancy rate in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (7) What was the level of unplanned re-admissions (within 28 days) in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (8) What is the average length of stay for patients staying between one and 35 days.
- (9) How many mental health beds per 10,000 population are there in this hospital's catchment area.
- (10) What is this hospital's catchment area.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The question raised sits within the portfolio responsibility of the Minister for Mental Health.

Health: mental health patients — Latrobe Regional Hospital

745. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Health): In relation to data captured by the Department of Human Services regarding mental health patients at Latrobe Regional Hospital:

- (1) What percentage of mental health patients was noted as having pre-admission contact (in the seven days prior to admission) in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (2) What percentage of mental health patients was noted as having post-discharge follow up in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (3) What percentage of mental health patients waited in the emergency department for longer than eight hours before gaining access to a mental health bed.
- (4) What percentage of mental health patients received inpatient care for longer than 35 days in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (5) What percentage of mental health patients treated in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07 resided in this hospital's catchment area.
- (6) What was the mental health bed occupancy rate in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.

- (7) What was the level of unplanned re-admissions (within 28 days) in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (8) What is the average length of stay for patients staying between one and 35 days.
- (9) How many mental health beds per 10,000 population are there in this hospital's catchment area.
- (10) What is this hospital's catchment area.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The question raised sits within the portfolio responsibility of the Minister for Mental Health.

Health: mental health patients — Maroondah Hospital

746. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Health): In relation to data captured by the Department of Human Services regarding mental health patients at Maroondah Hospital:

- (1) What percentage of mental health patients was noted as having pre-admission contact (in the seven days prior to admission) in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (2) What percentage of mental health patients was noted as having post-discharge follow up in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (3) What percentage of mental health patients waited in the emergency department for longer than eight hours before gaining access to a mental health bed.
- (4) What percentage of mental health patients received inpatient care for longer than 35 days in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (5) What percentage of mental health patients treated in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07 resided in this hospital's catchment area.
- (6) What was the mental health bed occupancy rate in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (7) What was the level of unplanned re-admissions (within 28 days) in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (8) What is the average length of stay for patients staying between one and 35 days.
- (9) How many mental health beds per 10,000 population are there in this hospital's catchment area.
- (10) What is this hospital's catchment area.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The question raised sits within the portfolio responsibility of the Minister for Mental Health.

Health: mental health patients — Werribee Mercy Hospital

747. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Health): In relation to data captured by the Department of Human Services regarding mental health patients at the Mercy Werribee Hospital:

- (1) What percentage of mental health patients was noted as having pre-admission contact (in the seven days prior to admission) in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (2) What percentage of mental health patients was noted as having post-discharge follow up in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.

- (3) What percentage of mental health patients waited in the emergency department for longer than eight hours before gaining access to a mental health bed.
- (4) What percentage of mental health patients received inpatient care for longer than 35 days in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (5) What percentage of mental health patients treated in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07 resided in this hospital's catchment area.
- (6) What was the mental health bed occupancy rate in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (7) What was the level of unplanned re-admissions (within 28 days) in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (8) What is the average length of stay for patients staying between one and 35 days.
- (9) How many mental health beds per 10,000 population are there in this hospital's catchment area.
- (10) What is this hospital's catchment area.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The question raised sits within the portfolio responsibility of the Minister for Mental Health.

Health: mental health patients — Monash Medical Centre

748. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Health): In relation to data captured by the Department of Human Services regarding mental health patients at the Monash Medical Centre:

- (1) What percentage of mental health patients was noted as having pre-admission contact (in the seven days prior to admission) in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (2) What percentage of mental health patients was noted as having post-discharge follow up in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (3) What percentage of mental health patients waited in the emergency department for longer than eight hours before gaining access to a mental health bed.
- (4) What percentage of mental health patients received inpatient care for longer than 35 days in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (5) What percentage of mental health patients treated in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07 resided in this hospital's catchment area.
- (6) What was the mental health bed occupancy rate in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (7) What was the level of unplanned re-admissions (within 28 days) in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (8) What is the average length of stay for patients staying between one and 35 days.
- (9) How many mental health beds per 10,000 population are there in this hospital's catchment area.
- (10) What is this hospital's catchment area.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The question raised sits within the portfolio responsibility of the Minister for Mental Health.

Health: mental health patients — Northern Hospital

749. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Health): In relation to data captured by the Department of Human Services regarding mental health patients at the Northern Hospital:

- (1) What percentage of mental health patients was noted as having pre-admission contact (in the seven days prior to admission) in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (2) What percentage of mental health patients was noted as having post-discharge follow up in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (3) What percentage of mental health patients waited in the emergency department for longer than eight hours before gaining access to a mental health bed.
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- (9) How many mental health beds per 10,000 population are there in this hospital's catchment area.
- (10) What is this hospital's catchment area.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The question raised sits within the portfolio responsibility of the Minister for Mental Health.

Health: mental health patients — Royal Children's Hospital

750. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Health): In relation to data captured by the Department of Human Services regarding mental health patients at the Royal Children's Hospital:

- (1) What percentage of mental health patients was noted as having pre-admission contact (in the seven days prior to admission) in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (2) What percentage of mental health patients was noted as having post-discharge follow up in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (3) What percentage of mental health patients waited in the emergency department for longer than eight hours before gaining access to a mental health bed.
- (4) What percentage of mental health patients received inpatient care for longer than 35 days in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (5) What percentage of mental health patients treated in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07 resided in this hospital's catchment area.
- (6) What was the mental health bed occupancy rate in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (7) What was the level of unplanned re-admissions (within 28 days) in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (8) What is the average length of stay for patients staying between one and 35 days.
- (9) How many mental health beds per 10,000 population are there in this hospital's catchment area.
- (10) What is this hospital's catchment area.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The question raised sits within the portfolio responsibility of the Minister for Mental Health.

Health: mental health patients — Royal Melbourne Hospital

751. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Health): In relation to data captured by the Department of Human Services regarding mental health patients at the Royal Melbourne Hospital:

- (1) What percentage of mental health patients was noted as having pre-admission contact (in the seven days prior to admission) in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (2) What percentage of mental health patients was noted as having post-discharge follow up in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (3) What percentage of mental health patients waited in the emergency department for longer than eight hours before gaining access to a mental health bed.
- (4) What percentage of mental health patients received inpatient care for longer than 35 days in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (5) What percentage of mental health patients treated in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07 resided in this hospital's catchment area.
- (6) What was the mental health bed occupancy rate in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (7) What was the level of unplanned re-admissions (within 28 days) in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (8) What is the average length of stay for patients staying between one and 35 days.
- (9) How many mental health beds per 10,000 population are there in this hospital's catchment area.
- (10) What is this hospital's catchment area.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The question raised sits within the portfolio responsibility of the Minister for Mental Health.

Health: mental health patients — St Vincent's Hospital

752. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Health): In relation to data captured by the Department of Human Services regarding mental health patients at St Vincent's Hospital:

- (1) What percentage of mental health patients was noted as having pre-admission contact (in the seven days prior to admission) in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (2) What percentage of mental health patients was noted as having post-discharge follow up in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (3) What percentage of mental health patients waited in the emergency department for longer than eight hours before gaining access to a mental health bed.
- (4) What percentage of mental health patients received inpatient care for longer than 35 days in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (5) What percentage of mental health patients treated in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07 resided in this hospital's catchment area.
- (6) What was the mental health bed occupancy rate in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.

- (7) What was the level of unplanned re-admissions (within 28 days) in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (8) What is the average length of stay for patients staying between one and 35 days.
- (9) How many mental health beds per 10,000 population are there in this hospital's catchment area.
- (10) What is this hospital's catchment area.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The question raised sits within the portfolio responsibility of the Minister for Mental Health.

Health: mental health patients — Sunshine Hospital

753. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Health): In relation to data captured by the Department of Human Services regarding mental health patients at Sunshine Hospital:

- (1) What percentage of mental health patients was noted as having pre-admission contact (in the seven days prior to admission) in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (2) What percentage of mental health patients was noted as having post-discharge follow up in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (3) What percentage of mental health patients waited in the emergency department for longer than eight hours before gaining access to a mental health bed.
- (4) What percentage of mental health patients received inpatient care for longer than 35 days in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (5) What percentage of mental health patients treated in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07 resided in this hospital's catchment area.
- (6) What was the mental health bed occupancy rate in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (7) What was the level of unplanned re-admissions (within 28 days) in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (8) What is the average length of stay for patients staying between one and 35 days.
- (9) How many mental health beds per 10,000 population are there in this hospital's catchment area.
- (10) What is this hospital's catchment area.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The question raised sits within the portfolio responsibility of the Minister for Mental Health.

Health: mental health beds

754. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Health): In relation to inpatient mental health beds in Victorian public hospitals:

- (1) How many mental health beds are currently operational per 10,000 people in Victoria.
- (2) How many Child and Adolescent Mental Health beds are currently operational per 10,000 people in Victoria under the age of 18.
- (3) How many adult mental health beds are currently operational per 10,000 people in Victoria between the ages of 18 and 65.

- (4) How many aged persons mental health beds are currently operational per 10,000 people in Victoria over the age of 65.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The question raised sits within the portfolio responsibility of the Minister for Mental Health.

Health: individual care plans

756. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Health): In relation to individual care plans:

- (1) What are the guidelines for requiring hospitals to prepare individual care plans for senior Victorians (65 years and over).
- (2) What percentage of senior patients obtains an individual care plan upon being discharged from hospital.
- (3) What follow up procedures are put in place.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- (1) There are a number of programs in place that facilitate and support the development of care plans for older people:

The **Australian Council for Health Care Standards** includes quality standards outlining the requirements of care planning in partnership with the consumer/patient. Only hospitals meeting these standards will be accredited. Refer to standards 1.1.1 and 1.1.2 in ACHS EQUIP 4

All patients who are assessed by **Aged Care Assessment Services** prior to discharge will have a care planned developed. The GP is notified and follow up is embedded in the process.

The **Victorian Service Coordination Practice Manual** outlines practice standards for care planning and the Service Coordination Tool Templates, which were developed and available for use across a range of health and community services throughout Victoria, include a template for care planning.

Patients who are enrolled in the **Hospital Admission Risk Program- Chronic Disease Management (HARP-CDM)** have a care plan which is developed with the client, clinician and usually the GP and follows the patient as they move through the care continuum.

- (2) Not all people over 65 years have complex care needs so will not all require this level of intervention. It is expected that each patient leaving hospital will receive a medical discharge summary to the respective General Practitioner.
- (3) Follow up procedures, which are put in place following discharge from hospital, are identified through the discharge planning process. Patients who are identified as requiring further support and services upon discharge, will be assessed by a multidisciplinary team. A discharge plan may include Post Acute Care services, Sub-acute Ambulatory Care Services, Transition Care, or Home and Community Care Services.

Community services: nursing homes

759. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Community Services): In relation to young people in nursing homes in rural and regional Victoria:

- (1) Are there any plans to build a facility for young people with complex medical needs in rural and regional Victoria.
- (2) Where will this/these facilities be located.
- (3) How much funding will be allocated to each facility.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Work is progressing under the Younger People in Residential Aged Care (YPIRAC) initiative, known as *my future my choice* in Victoria, to identify the preferred living arrangements of those people aged less than 50 with disabilities living in residential aged care (RAC). Approximately 25% of the 210 younger people in RAC live in rural and regional Victoria.

- (1) Planning has commenced on phase one of the capital program. This includes a statewide service that will be located in Alphington for people with complex medical and high-level support needs including nursing care.

Planning for the provision of new facilities in rural and regional Victoria will be finalised once the outcomes of the individual case planning and assessment process are known.

- (2) The identification of rural developments will occur in phase two of the capital strategy. The establishment of any new facilities will be dependent on demand. In areas where demand is low, creative partnerships with non-government providers will be explored to identify suitable opportunities for those seeking to move from aged care, who are unable to return home with additional supports.
- (3) It is not possible to identify how much funding will be allocated to establish new facilities in rural Victoria until demand and possible configurations of new services has been determined.

Mental health: drug services — funding

790. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Mental Health): With reference to the Government’s “pre-emptive strike” on ice —

- (1) How much of the up to \$14 million has been committed at present.
- (2) What initiatives have funds committed to them, and how much funding has each initiative been dedicated and over what timeframe.
- (3) How much of the up to \$14 million has been spent at present.
- (4) What initiatives or programs have these funds been spent on and how much has each initiative or program received.
- (5) How much funding is unallocated at present for the Government’s “pre-emptive strike”.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- (1) The Government has committed \$14 million to the package of initiatives that tackle amphetamine and ice use in the community.
- (2) These funds form part of the allocation for drug prevention programs and treatment by agencies responding to amphetamine-related problems. These services include counselling, withdrawal and residential and rehabilitation services. In addition, the Government has specifically committed \$1 million in 2007/2008 to conduct a statewide public awareness campaign to discourage young people from using amphetamines and cannabis.
- (3) Spending on drug prevention programs and treatment services will be reported in the budget papers.

- (4) Spending on drug treatment and prevention programs will be reported in the budget papers.
- (5) All funding has been allocated.

Health: sexual health program

845. MS HARTLAND — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Health):

- (1) Is the Government planning to implement the recommendation made by Women's Health Victoria in the '10 Point Plan for Victorian Women's Health 2006-2010' to develop a statewide reproductive and sexual health program, including education programs, to ensure young women have the capacity to negotiate safe sex (safe from the possibility of sexually transmitted infections and possible pregnancy) and to give them the best information about reproductive and sexual health issues possible; if so, when.
- (2) What funding does the Government estimate would be required for such a program.
- (3) When will the recommendations in the 2006 report written by Family Planning Victoria, the Royal Women's Hospital, and the Centre for Adolescent Health, 'The Sexual and Reproductive Health of Young Victorians', be implemented.
- (4) What is the Government doing, and what is the Government's overall plan, to address the increase in sexually transmitted infections, for example increases of chlamydia notifications of nearly 550 per cent between 1994 and 2004, and the associated impacts of sexually transmitted infections on women's reproductive health and fertility.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- The recommendation in Women's Health Victoria's '10 Point Plan for Victorian Women's Health 2006-2010' in relation to the development of a state wide reproductive and sexual health program is currently being addressed through a number of government initiatives.
- In September 2006 the then Minister for Health launched the Victorian Women's Health and Wellbeing Strategy Stage Two 2006-2010. This strategy draws on the experience and achievements of stage one and confirms the government's commitments to improving women's health and wellbeing.
- Priority action area two in this strategy is sexual and reproductive health.
- In addition the Department of Human Services has adopted sexual and reproductive health as a health promotion priority. A framework to guide future actions in this area will be developed by the Department.
- Also in September 2006 the then Minister for Health launched the Victorian Sexually Transmissible Infections (STIs) Strategy 2006-2009 that targets six priority populations who are at greatest risk of STIs, one of which is youth. It is critical that programs delivered as a part of this strategy target both women and their partners.
- The Victorian Women's Health and Wellbeing Strategy Stage Two 2006-2010 Action plan documents 18 key initiatives currently being delivered by the government in relation to sexual and reproductive health.
- One of the key actions documented is the "you never know who you might meet" campaign. It aims to raise the awareness of sexually transmissible infections and the need to adopt safe sex practices among youth.
- Initial funding of \$500,000 has been allocated to this campaign with an additional \$400,000 being allocated for a second stage project to further address rising rates of sexually transmissible infections.
- In addition in June 2007 the then Minister for Health launched a five-point action plan that provides an immediate response to enhancing the state's HIV and STI prevention efforts. A total of \$6.5 million has been

allocated to advance work under the five-point action plan – \$3.5 million to address HIV and STIs, and a further \$3 million for youth and STI initiatives. Initiatives under the five-point plan utilises the expertise of international and Australian HIV/STI professionals as well as enhancing the partnerships with HIV and STI community agencies.

Key elements of the plan are:

- Establishment of the Departmental HIV Prevention Taskforce
- Youth STI awareness campaigns (including second phase of the Youth STI campaign – Message Sponsor of the Melbourne Fringe Festival – *You’ll never know who you’ll meet at the Fringe – Play Safe: Use a Condom*).
- Partnership with Department of Education – Whole of school Sexuality Program
- Promoting harm minimisation, and
- Review of key processes in relation to the management of HIV including the engagement of international experts.
- The recommendations of Family Planning Victoria’s report *Sexual and Reproductive Health of Young Victorians* are being addressed through work undertaken by the Department of Human Services relating to the development of the health promotion framework document for sexual and reproductive health.
- The government recently funded ten community-based projects that aim to promote safe sex amongst young people, at a total of \$1.4 million.
- The government is also participating in a number of research projects and pilot studies to inform a more comprehensive approach to chlamydia screening and testing.

Local government: electorate office access

851. MS HARTLAND — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Local Government):

- (1) Are there guidelines or standards for electorate offices and, if so, when were accessibility-for-all provisions first incorporated in electorate office guidelines or standards and when, if at all, have they been amended subsequently.
- (2) What is the text of the requirements for accessibility of electorate offices in the guidelines or standards that exist presently.
- (3) Given that the Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission (HREOC) recommends compliance with the enhanced Australian Standard for mobility and access (AS 1428.2, the “enhanced” mobility and access standard) in order for public and commercial premises to comply with the Disability Discrimination Act 1992 (Cth) in providing equal accessibility for everyone, what steps have been taken to ensure all electorate offices comply with this HREOC advice.
- (4) How many electorate offices presently comply with Australian Standard 1428.2, the “enhanced” mobility and access standard.
- (5) Given that the Disability Discrimination Act 1992 (Cth) and Equal Opportunity Act 1995 prohibit discrimination both in relation to access to premises as well as in relation to employment is it being ensured that all of the electorate offices, including the toilet and kitchen area, are accessible to everyone.
- (6) Given that the Disability Discrimination Act 1992 (Cth) and Equal Opportunity Act 1995 generally do not allow deferral of equal opportunity or anti-discrimination obligations, what steps have been taken for electorate offices to immediately comply (rather than waiting until leases come up for renewal or new offices are leased) and when were these steps taken.
- (7) In relation to a batch or round of access audits of electorate offices of Victorian Parliamentarians, both past and present —
 - (a) when was the first time that access audits for electorate offices were carried out;
 - (b) when were any subsequent access audits done (for each batch or round);

- (c) what number of offices were audited (in each batch or round);
- (d) what was the brief or briefs for the access audit or these access audits;
- (e) if there was no formal briefs, what were the terms of the agreement or request for the audit/s;
- (f) what was the date of the contract, terms of agreement and/or request for the audit/s;
- (g) what is the date of the report/s;
- (h) what is the date of any draft reports and any preliminary or interim report/s;
- (i) when was the report/s given to the Department of Parliamentary Services and/ or the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly and President of the Legislative Council;
- (j) who else were the reports made available to and when;
- (k) what action was taken or will be taken as a result of the report(s) and when;
- (l) are the reports available to the public, under Freedom of Information or otherwise;
- (m) has a copy of the report/s been provided to the Member; and
- (n) is an audit undertaken prior to the renewal of a lease, or occupation of the office by a new Member; if so, are any identified deficiencies remedied.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The Question should be directed to the Premier.

Aboriginal affairs: Port Campbell development

853. MS HARTLAND — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs): In relation to the proposed development at 2-10 Lord Street, Port Campbell:

- (1) Further to the answer to Question 308, given on 17 July 2007, and the discrepancy noted therein between the record of Aboriginal heritage values in the vicinity of Point Sturgess and the lack of a corresponding record on the Victorian Aboriginal Heritage Register, was any investigation undertaken into that discrepancy, such as —
 - (a) visits to the site for the purpose of investigation prior to works commencing; and
 - (b) liaison with the local Aboriginal authorities.
- (2) Further to the answer to Question 308, given on 17 July 2007, that no assessment has been made of the impact of the Southern Ocean Beach House (SOBH) development on Aboriginal cultural heritage values, will any assessment be undertaken into the impact of the SOBH on Aboriginal cultural values on the surrounding area, including any potential for loss of Aboriginal cultural values due to accelerated collapse of areas containing cultural and heritage suites, such as the Aboriginal Steps on Point Sturgess and the sea caves known as Purroitchihoorong; if not, why not.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- (1) A member of my Department carried out an inspection of 2-10 Lord Street, Port Campbell and the surrounding area in June 2007. She found that the location of the proposed Southern Ocean Beach House had been subject to significant ground disturbance by the construction of the current motel and the adjacent Fisherman's carpark. Although the inspection was restricted by thick coastal vegetation and unsafe conditions at the cliff face, the officer did not identify any Aboriginal cultural heritage in the wider Point Sturgess area, including relatively undisturbed places. Furthermore, an assessment of the Fisherman's carpark area by the Framlingham Aboriginal Trust prior to the carpark's extension in 2002 also did not identify any Aboriginal cultural heritage.

- (2) The planning process for the Southern Ocean Beach House has concluded and the proponents are not required to conduct an assessment of Aboriginal cultural heritage.

Public transport: rail — service standards

854. MS HARTLAND — To ask the Minister for Industry and Trade (for the Minister for Public Transport):

- (1) How many trains, and what percentage of trains, which were timetabled to serve Altona through the Altona Loop, were redirected to run instead directly from Newport to Laverton during the last twelve months.
- (2) How many trains were redirected each month.
- (3) Of those redirected trains, how many were timetabled to run during the morning and afternoon peak periods.

ANSWER:

As at the date the question was raised, the answer is:

- 1) 18,600 services were scheduled to be delivered in the down direction to Werribee via the Altona loop for the period 1 August 2006 to 31 July 2007.
 - Services that bypassed the Altona loop = 404
 - Percentage of services that bypassed the Altona loop = 2.2 per cent
- 2) Down direction to Werribee services from 1 August 2006 to 31 July 2007

Month		Services Bypassed Loop	Services Delivered via Loop
2006	August	44	3,106
	September	53	2,984
	October	40	3,080
	November	55	2,985
	December	38	3,035
2007	January	60	2,723
	February	71	2,754
	March	64	3,103
	April	126	2,878
	May	49	3,096
	June	61	2,981
	July	61	2,988

During the period 1 August 2006 to 31 July 2007, Connex was penalised \$265,068 for bypassing the Altona loop.

- 3) Between 1 August 2006 and 31 July 2007:
 - Morning peak services that bypassed the Altona loop = 18
 - Afternoon peak services that bypassed the Altona loop = 5

Roads and ports: Footscray Road — grade separation

857. MS HARTLAND — To the Minister for Industry and Trade (for the Minister for Roads and Ports): What measures are the government putting in place to replace the BP service station on Footscray Road, which presently services truck freight central to the Port, that is due to close at the end of the month due to the Footscray Road grade separation project.

ANSWER:

As at the date the question was raised, the answer is:

The current BP lease will expire at the end of 2007 and in order to remediate the site the BP Service Centre ceased trading in October of this year.

At my request, truck parking and rest facilities around the port area are being considered under a review being led by the Port of Melbourne Corporation (PoMC).

PoMC will examine options for the provision of truck services near the port and Dynon precinct.

PoMC will undertake traffic and customer surveys with the cooperation of truck and transport operators to better understand the key uses of the facilities that were offered at the BP site and a process of meeting with key industry stakeholders to seek their input will also take place.

Roads and ports: Footscray Road — grade separation

858. MS HARTLAND — To the Minister for Industry and Trade (for the Minister for Roads and Ports): What measures are the Government putting in place to ensure that the Footscray Road grade separation project and associated loss of gathering place for truck freight, does not result in extra truck journeys along Buckley Street, Footscray and Francis Street and Somerville Roads, Yarraville.

ANSWER:

As at the date the question was raised, the answer is:

The Dynon Port Rail Link project will construct new rail lines to the Port of Melbourne under an elevated section of Footscray Road. This will separate road and rail traffic and provide unimpeded, 24 hour access to the port for rail freight.

To facilitate this project, the land owned by the Port of Melbourne Corporation, occupied by the BP Service Centre on Footscray Road, is required to provide a realigned rail link.

Apart from closure of this Service Centre, there will be no loss of gathering space for trucks in the area and the project will improve traffic flows by removing three level crossings.

I have been advised that it is not anticipated that extra truck journeys through Footscray or Yarraville will result from the BP closure.

At my request, truck parking and rest facilities around the port area are being considered under a review currently being led by the Port of Melbourne Corporation.

Roads and ports: Port Phillip Bay — channel deepening

864. MS PENNICUIK — To ask the Minister for Industry and Trade (for the Minister for Roads and Ports): In relation to the economic viability of the Channel Deepening Project (CDP) and having regard for the substantial increase in interest rates over recent weeks in international credit markets:

- (1) Has the Minister received or sought undertakings from the Port of Melbourne Corporation (PoMC) that these extra debt servicing costs of financing the CDP have been taken into account.
- (2) Will the Minister request the PoMC to revise their economic modeling for the project by updating the discount rate used, from 6%, which overstates the net present value of the project to a more realistic figure (12% for instance); if not, why not.

ANSWER:

As at the date the question was received, the answer is:

1. PoMC has advised me that it has considered all relevant matters with respect to financing the CDP, including interest rates. There have been no changes in domestic or global economic conditions which would affect the economic and financial viability of the project.
2. I will not be requesting that the PoMC revise their economic modelling for the project to update the discount rate used. The discount rate of 6% used in the economic modelling is a real discount rate (which excludes inflation) and accords with the Victorian State Government's Partnerships Victoria guidance material on the appropriate use of discount rates for water, transport and energy related projects.

Environment and climate change: bushfires — water catchments

865. MRS PETROVICH — To ask the Minister for the Environment and Climate Change: Has water quality and recovery of water catchments been monitored since the bushfires in North East Victoria in 2006-07.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The Department of Sustainability and Environment, Catchment Management Authorities and Water Authorities have implemented an integrated water quality monitoring program in response to the 2006/07 bushfires.

Environment and climate change: bushfires — water catchments

866. MRS PETROVICH — To ask the Minister for the Environment and Climate Change: When will water catchment return to pre-bushfire quality in North East Victoria.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Water quality data collected throughout 2007 in fire-affected catchments indicates that generally water quality has returned to levels recorded prior to the Great Divide Bushfire.

Environment and climate change: deer hunting

871. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change: Are there plans to curb the practice of hunting deer using a spotlight; if so, by what date is the enforcement of these plans to commence.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

In Victoria, the hunting of deer at night is prohibited under the Wildlife (Game) Regulations 2001 and the use of spotlights to hunt deer is also prohibited.

Environment and climate change: threatened species

882. MRS COOTE — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change —

- (1) How many endangered plant species are there in Victoria.
- (2) Where are these located.
- (3) How many endangered plant species were there in each of the years 2000 to 2006.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- (1) There are 270 vascular plant taxa (which are species, subspecies and varieties) considered to be ‘endangered’ in Victoria.
- (2) The endangered plants occur throughout Victoria, and as such there is no simple way of representing all of these locations in this reply.
- (3) DSE has produced versions of the ‘Advisory List of Rare or Threatened Plants in Victoria’ in 2000 and 2003. As the list is not revised annually, information can only be provided for the years 2000, 2003 and 2005.

In 2000, 204 vascular plant taxa were considered endangered. In 2003, there were 240 vascular plant taxa considered endangered.

Environment and climate change: threatened species

883. MRS COOTE — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change —

- (1) How many endangered animal species are there in Victoria.
- (2) Where are these located.
- (3) How many endangered plant species were there in each of the years 2000 to 2006.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- (1) There are 52 vertebrate animal taxa (these are species, subspecies and forms) considered to be ‘endangered’ in Victoria.
- (2) The endangered animals occur throughout Victoria, and as such there is no simple way of representing all locations in this reply.
- (3) DSE also produced versions of the ‘Advisory List of Vertebrate Fauna in Victoria’ in 2000 and 2003. As the list is not revised annually, information can only be provided for the years 2000, 2003 and 2007. In 2000, 52 vertebrate animal taxa were considered ‘endangered’. In 2003, 53 vertebrate animal taxa were considered ‘endangered’.

Environment and climate change: green power

884. MRS COOTE — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change: How much of Victoria’s green power is provided by biomass.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

GreenPower is a national accreditation program that sets stringent environmental and reporting standards for renewable electricity products offered by energy suppliers to households and businesses across Australia.

Because GreenPower is a national program, GreenPower data is reported on a national basis, with the exception of GreenPower customer numbers and total sales for each state.

Nationally, the proportion for GreenPower provided by biomass in 2005, the last year for which audited data is currently available, was 50.7 per cent.

Environment and climate change: green power

885. MRS COOTE — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change: How much of Victoria's green power is provided by wind.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

GreenPower is national accreditation program that sets stringent environmental and reporting standards for renewable electricity products offered by energy suppliers to households and businesses across Australia.

Because GreenPower is a national program, GreenPower data is reported on a national basis, with the exception of GreenPower customer numbers and sales for each state.

Nationally, the proportion of GreenPower provided by wind generation in 2005, the last year for which audited data is currently available, was 35.5 per cent.

Environment and climate change: green power

886. MRS COOTE — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change: How much of Victoria's green power is provided by solar.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

GreenPower is national accreditation program that sets stringent environmental and reporting standards for renewable electricity products offered by energy suppliers to households and businesses across Australia.

Because GreenPower is a national program, GreenPower data is reported on a national basis, with the exception of GreenPower customer numbers and sales for each state.

Nationally, the proportion of GreenPower provided by solar generation in 2005, the last year for which audited data is currently available, was 0.3 per cent.

Environment and climate change: green power

887. MRS COOTE — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change: How much of Victoria's green power is provided by hydro generation.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

GreenPower is national accreditation program that sets stringent environmental and reporting standards for renewable electricity products offered by energy suppliers to households and businesses across Australia.

Because GreenPower is a national program, GreenPower data is reported on a national basis, with the exception of GreenPower customer numbers and sales for each state.

Nationally, the proportion of GreenPower provided by hydro generation in 2005, the last year for which audited data is currently available, was 13.5 per cent.

Environment and climate change: green power

888. MRS COOTE — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change —

- (1) How much of the \$5 per week from green energy and full green power collected by the energy retailers goes into research.
- (2) Which research program does it go into.
- (3) What is the outcome of this research.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The extra cost of GreenPower is not associated with any research but with the extra cost of renewable energy generation over electricity produced from fossil fuels.

No Victorian Government agency receives funds from the sale of GreenPower products.

Environment and climate change: green power

889. MRS COOTE — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change: How does the Department of Sustainability and Environment evaluate the research done as a result of the additional revenue received from the green power levy.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

There is no such thing as a GreenPower levy or research done as a result of a GreenPower levy.

Participating jurisdictions, including Victoria, meet the costs associated with accreditation and auditing of GreenPower products and sales.

No Victorian Government agency receives revenues from the sale of GreenPower products.

Environment and climate change: green power

890. MRS COOTE — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change: Is the revenue received from the green power levy by energy retailers audited by the Department of Sustainability and Environment.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Participating retailers' sales and purchases are independently audited on behalf of the GreenPower Program Steering Group. This process ensures electricity retailers have purchased the renewable energy they agree to buy on behalf of their customers.

The full audited reports can be found on the GreenPower website:

www.greenpower.gov.au

Sustainability Victoria is Victoria's representative on the National GreenPower Program Steering Group. The Steering Group is responsible for governing the accreditation and compliance of accredited GreenPower retailers and generators.

Environment and climate change: green power

891. MRS COOTE — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change: How does the Department of Sustainability and Environment assure the customers of energy retailers who purchase green power that they are actually getting what they pay for.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Participating retailers' sales and purchases are independently audited on behalf of the GreenPower Program Steering Group. This process ensures electricity retailers have purchased the renewable energy they agree to buy on behalf of their customers.

The full audited reports can be found on the GreenPower website:

www.greenpower.gov.au

Sustainability Victoria is Victoria's representative on the National GreenPower Program Steering Group. The Steering Group is responsible for governing the accreditation and compliance of accredited GreenPower retailers and generators.

Public transport: rail — Ballarat line

901. MR KOCH — To ask the Minister for Industry and Trade (for the Minister for Public Transport): In relation to V/Line, Ballarat line during the period 1 July 2007 to 18 September 2007:

- (1) How many times did the 2.08 p.m. and 3.08 p.m Ballarat trains each operate on weekdays.
- (2) Was either train cancelled on any weekdays; if so, on which days did this occur and was the service replaced by coaches.
- (3) On how many occasions during the period did each of the services depart from Southern Cross station —
 - (a) more than two minutes early;
 - (b) less than two minutes early;
 - (c) exactly on time;
 - (d) less than one minute late;
 - (e) one minute to one minute 59 seconds late;
 - (f) two minutes to five minutes 59 seconds late;
 - (g) six minutes to ten minutes 59 seconds late;
 - (h) 11 minutes to 14 minutes 59 seconds late;
 - (i) 15 minutes to 19 minutes 59 seconds late;
 - (j) 20 minutes to 29 minutes 59 seconds late; and
 - (k) 30 minutes or more late.
- (4) On how many occasions during the period did each of the services arrive at Ballarat station —
 - (a) more than two minutes early;
 - (b) less than two minutes early;

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- (c) exactly on time;
- (d) less than one minute late;
- (e) one minute to one minute 59 seconds late;
- (f) two minutes to five minutes 59 seconds late;
- (g) six minutes to ten minutes 59 seconds late;
- (h) 11 minutes to 14 minutes 59 seconds late;
- (i) 15 minutes to 19 minutes 59 seconds late;
- (j) 20 minutes to 29 minutes 59 seconds late; and
- (k) 30 minutes or more late.

ANSWER:

As at the date the question was raised, the answers are:

- (1) The 2.08pm Southern Cross Station to Ballarat service was operated in full on 55 of the 57 weekdays between 1 July and 18 September 2007.

The 3.08pm Southern Cross Station to Ballarat service was operated in full on all 57 weekdays.

- (2) On 3 August 2007, the 2.08pm Southern Cross Station to Ballarat service terminated early at Bacchus Marsh.

On 24 August 2007, the 2.08pm Southern Cross Station to Ballarat service was cancelled.

- (3) On the 57 weekdays from 1 July to 18 September 2007, the 2.08pm and 3.08pm Southern Cross Station to Ballarat services were reported to depart from Southern Cross Station in the following time bands:

Departure from Southern Cross Station	2.08pm Southern Cross to Ballarat	3.08pm Southern Cross to Ballarat
(a) more than two minutes early	0	0
(b) less than two minutes early	0	0
(c) exactly on time	55	54
(d) less than one minute late	See Note	See Note
(e) one minute to one minute 59 seconds late	0	0
(f) two minutes to five minutes 59 seconds late	0	2
(g) six minutes to 10 minutes 59 seconds late	0	0
(h) 11 minutes to 14 minutes 59 seconds late	0	0
(i) 15 minutes to 19 minutes 59 seconds late	0	0
(j) 20 minutes to 29 minutes 59 seconds late	0	0
(k) 30 minutes or more late	0	1

- (4) On the 57 weekdays from 1 July to 18 September 2007, the 2.08pm and 3.08pm Southern Cross Station to Ballarat services were reported to arrive at Ballarat Railway Station in the following time bands:

Arriving at Ballarat Station	2.08pm Southern Cross to Ballarat	3.08pm Southern Cross to Ballarat
(a) more than two minutes early	7	8
(b) less than two minutes early	8	4
(c) exactly on time	14	11
(d) less than one minute late	See Note	See Note
(e) one minute to one minute 59 seconds late	7	9
(f) two minutes to five minutes 59 seconds late	15	21

Arriving at Ballarat Station	2.08pm Southern Cross to Ballarat	3.08pm Southern Cross to Ballarat
(g) six minutes to 10 minutes 59 seconds late	4	3
(h) 11 minutes to 14 minutes 59 seconds late	0	0
(i) 15 minutes to 19 minutes 59 seconds late	0	0
(j) 20 minutes to 29 minutes 59 seconds late	0	0
(k) 30 minutes or more late	0	1

Note - On time is considered to be a service which arrives no more than 59 seconds early or 59 seconds late. As such, it is not possible to report an answer to Questions (3) (d) or (4) (d).

Corrections: drugs — HM Melbourne Assessment Prison

902. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Corrections): In relation to services for intravenous drug users in Melbourne Assessment Prison:

- (1) Are supplies of disinfectant stored in every cell.
- (2) In which other areas is disinfectant stored for use by intravenous drug users.
- (3) Which disinfectant is used.
- (4) How often does this prison drug test inmates and on what grounds (ie. on admission, randomly, post-incident).
- (5) What type of sample is taken (ie. urine, saliva, blood).
- (6) What drugs or other substances are tested for.
- (7) How many drug tests were taken in each of the financial years 2000-01 to 2006-07.
- (8) How many drug tests returned a positive result in each of the years 2000-01 to 2006-07.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

1. The specific storage arrangements for disinfectants vary across the prison system.
2. Refer to answer above.
3. A range of liquid disinfectants and powdered bleach sachets are used across the prison system.
4. All prisoners are drug tested on their arrival into custody. Prisoners can also be required to submit to a targeted drug test and tests at the request of the Adult Parole Board.
5. All drug tests are taken by way of urine samples.
6. Tests are conducted for a range of substances including amphetamines, benzodiazepines and opiates.
7. Collation of information in the specific format sought by the Honourable member represents an unreasonable diversion of resources by Corrections Victoria.
8. Refer to answer above.

Corrections: drugs — Metropolitan Remand Centre

903. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Corrections): In relation to services for intravenous drug users in Metropolitan Remand Centre:

- (1) Are supplies of disinfectant stored in every cell.

- (2) In which other areas is disinfectant stored for use by intravenous drug users.
- (3) Which disinfectant is used.
- (4) How often does this prison drug test inmates and on what grounds (ie. on admission, randomly, post-incident).
- (5) What type of sample is taken (ie. urine, saliva, blood).
- (6) What drugs or other substances are tested for.
- (7) How many drug tests were taken in each of the financial years 2000-01 to 2006-07.
- (8) How many drug tests returned a positive result in each of the years 2000-01 to 2006-07.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

1. The specific storage arrangements for disinfectants vary across the prison system.
2. Refer to answer above.
3. A range of liquid disinfectants and powdered bleach sachets are used across the prison system.
4. All prisoners are drug tested on their arrival into custody. Prisoners can also be required to submit to a targeted drug test and tests at the request of the Adult Parole Board.
5. All drug tests are taken by way of urine samples.
6. Tests are conducted for a range of substances including amphetamines, benzodiazepines and opiates.
7. Collation of information in the specific format sought by the Honourable member represents an unreasonable diversion of resources by Corrections Victoria.
8. Refer to answer above.

Corrections: drugs — Port Phillip Prison

904. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Corrections): In relation to services for intravenous drug users in Port Phillip Prison:

- (1) Are supplies of disinfectant stored in every cell.
- (2) In which other areas is disinfectant stored for use by intravenous drug users.
- (3) Which disinfectant is used.
- (4) How often does this prison drug test inmates and on what grounds (ie. on admission, randomly, post-incident).
- (5) What type of sample is taken (ie. urine, saliva, blood).
- (6) What drugs or other substances are tested for.
- (7) How many drug tests were taken in each of the financial years 2000-01 to 2006-07.
- (8) How many drug tests returned a positive result in each of the years 2000-01 to 2006-07.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

1. The specific storage arrangements for disinfectants vary across the prison system.
2. Refer to answer above.
3. A range of liquid disinfectants and powdered bleach sachets are used across the prison system.

4. All prisoners are drug tested on their arrival into custody. Prisoners can also be required to submit to a targeted drug test and tests at the request of the Adult Parole Board.
5. All drug tests are taken by way of urine samples.
6. Tests are conducted for a range of substances including amphetamines, benzodiazepines and opiates.
7. Collation of information in the specific format sought by the Honourable member represents an unreasonable diversion of resources by Corrections Victoria.
8. Refer to answer above.

Corrections: drugs — HM Prison Barwon

905. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Corrections): In relation to services for intravenous drug users in Barwon Prison:

- (1) Are supplies of disinfectant stored in every cell.
- (2) In which other areas is disinfectant stored for use by intravenous drug users.
- (3) Which disinfectant is used.
- (4) How often does this prison drug test inmates and on what grounds (ie. on admission, randomly, post-incident).
- (5) What type of sample is taken (ie. urine, saliva, blood).
- (6) What drugs or other substances are tested for.
- (7) How many drug tests were taken in each of the financial years 2000-01 to 2006-07.
- (8) How many drug tests returned a positive result in each of the years 2000-01 to 2006-07.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

1. The specific storage arrangements for disinfectants vary across the prison system.
2. Refer to answer above.
3. A range of liquid disinfectants and powdered bleach sachets are used across the prison system.
4. All prisoners are drug tested on their arrival into custody. Prisoners can also be required to submit to a targeted drug test and tests at the request of the Adult Parole Board.
5. All drug tests are taken by way of urine samples.
6. Tests are conducted for a range of substances including amphetamines, benzodiazepines and opiates.
7. Collation of information in the specific format sought by the Honourable member represents an unreasonable diversion of resources by Corrections Victoria.
8. Refer to answer above.

Corrections: drugs — HM Prison Ararat

906. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Corrections): In relation to services for intravenous drug users in Ararat Prison:

- (1) Are supplies of disinfectant stored in every cell.

- (2) In which other areas is disinfectant stored for use by intravenous drug users.
- (3) Which disinfectant is used.
- (4) How often does this prison drug test inmates and on what grounds (ie. on admission, randomly, post-incident).
- (5) What type of sample is taken (ie. urine, saliva, blood).
- (6) What drugs or other substances are tested for.
- (7) How many drug tests were taken in each of the financial years 2000-01 to 2006-07.
- (8) How many drug tests returned a positive result in each of the years 2000-01 to 2006-07.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

1. The specific storage arrangements for disinfectants vary across the prison system.
2. Refer to answer above.
3. A range of liquid disinfectants and powdered bleach sachets are used across the prison system.
4. All prisoners are drug tested on their arrival into custody. Prisoners can also be required to submit to a targeted drug test and tests at the request of the Adult Parole Board.
5. All drug tests are taken by way of urine samples.
6. Tests are conducted for a range of substances including amphetamines, benzodiazepines and opiates.
7. Collation of information in the specific format sought by the Honourable member represents an unreasonable diversion of resources by Corrections Victoria.
8. Refer to answer above.

Corrections: drugs — Marngoneet Correctional Centre

907. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Corrections): In relation to services for intravenous drug users in Marngoneet Correctional Centre:

- (1) Are supplies of disinfectant stored in every cell.
- (2) In which other areas is disinfectant stored for use by intravenous drug users.
- (3) Which disinfectant is used.
- (4) How often does this prison drug test inmates and on what grounds (ie. on admission, randomly, post-incident).
- (5) What type of sample is taken (ie. urine, saliva, blood).
- (6) What drugs or other substances are tested for.
- (7) How many drug tests were taken in each of the financial years 2000-01 to 2006-07.
- (8) How many drug tests returned a positive result in each of the years 2000-01 to 2006-07.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

1. The specific storage arrangements for disinfectants vary across the prison system.
2. Refer to answer above.
3. A range of liquid disinfectants and powdered bleach sachets are used across the prison system.

4. All prisoners are drug tested on their arrival into custody. Prisoners can also be required to submit to a targeted drug test and tests at the request of the Adult Parole Board.
5. All drug tests are taken by way of urine samples.
6. Tests are conducted for a range of substances including amphetamines, benzodiazepines and opiates.
7. Collation of information in the specific format sought by the Honourable member represents an unreasonable diversion of resources by Corrections Victoria.
8. Refer to answer above.

Corrections: drugs — Fulham Correctional Centre

908. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Corrections): In relation to services for intravenous drug users in Fulham Correctional Centre:

- (1) Are supplies of disinfectant stored in every cell.
- (2) In which other areas is disinfectant stored for use by intravenous drug users.
- (3) Which disinfectant is used.
- (4) How often does this prison drug test inmates and on what grounds (ie. on admission, randomly, post-incident).
- (5) What type of sample is taken (ie. urine, saliva, blood).
- (6) What drugs or other substances are tested for.
- (7) How many drug tests were taken in each of the financial years 2000-01 to 2006-07.
- (8) How many drug tests returned a positive result in each of the years 2000-01 to 2006-07.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

1. The specific storage arrangements for disinfectants vary across the prison system.
2. Refer to answer above.
3. A range of liquid disinfectants and powdered bleach sachets are used across the prison system.
4. All prisoners are drug tested on their arrival into custody. Prisoners can also be required to submit to a targeted drug test and tests at the request of the Adult Parole Board.
5. All drug tests are taken by way of urine samples.
6. Tests are conducted for a range of substances including amphetamines, benzodiazepines and opiates.
7. Collation of information in the specific format sought by the Honourable member represents an unreasonable diversion of resources by Corrections Victoria.
8. Refer to answer above.

Corrections: drugs — HM Prison Loddon

909. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Corrections): In relation to services for intravenous drug users in Loddon Prison:

- (1) Are supplies of disinfectant stored in every cell.

- (2) In which other areas is disinfectant stored for use by intravenous drug users.
- (3) Which disinfectant is used.
- (4) How often does this prison drug test inmates and on what grounds (ie. on admission, randomly, post-incident).
- (5) What type of sample is taken (ie. urine, saliva, blood).
- (6) What drugs or other substances are tested for.
- (7) How many drug tests were taken in each of the financial years 2000-01 to 2006-07.
- (8) How many drug tests returned a positive result in each of the years 2000-01 to 2006-07.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

1. The specific storage arrangements for disinfectants vary across the prison system.
2. Refer to answer above.
3. A range of liquid disinfectants and powdered bleach sachets are used across the prison system.
4. All prisoners are drug tested on their arrival into custody. Prisoners can also be required to submit to a targeted drug test and tests at the request of the Adult Parole Board.
5. All drug tests are taken by way of urine samples.
6. Tests are conducted for a range of substances including amphetamines, benzodiazepines and opiates.
7. Collation of information in the specific format sought by the Honourable member represents an unreasonable diversion of resources by Corrections Victoria.
8. Refer to answer above.

Corrections: drugs — Beechworth Correctional Centre

910. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Corrections): In relation to services for intravenous drug users in Beechworth Correctional Centre:

- (1) Are supplies of disinfectant stored in every cell.
- (2) In which other areas is disinfectant stored for use by intravenous drug users.
- (3) Which disinfectant is used.
- (4) How often does this prison drug test inmates and on what grounds (ie. on admission, randomly, post-incident).
- (5) What type of sample is taken (ie. urine, saliva, blood).
- (6) What drugs or other substances are tested for.
- (7) How many drug tests were taken in each of the financial years 2000-01 to 2006-07.
- (8) How many drug tests returned a positive result in each of the years 2000-01 to 2006-07.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

1. The specific storage arrangements for disinfectants vary across the prison system.
2. Refer to answer above.
3. A range of liquid disinfectants and powdered bleach sachets are used across the prison system.

4. All prisoners are drug tested on their arrival into custody. Prisoners can also be required to submit to a targeted drug test and tests at the request of the Adult Parole Board.
5. All drug tests are taken by way of urine samples.
6. Tests are conducted for a range of substances including amphetamines, benzodiazepines and opiates.
7. Collation of information in the specific format sought by the Honourable member represents an unreasonable diversion of resources by Corrections Victoria.
8. Refer to answer above.

Corrections: drugs — HM Prison Dhurringile

911. **MR DALLA-RIVA** — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Corrections): In relation to services for intravenous drug users in Dhurringile Prison:

- (1) Are supplies of disinfectant stored in every cell.
- (2) In which other areas is disinfectant stored for use by intravenous drug users.
- (3) Which disinfectant is used.
- (4) How often does this prison drug test inmates and on what grounds (ie. on admission, randomly, post-incident).
- (5) What type of sample is taken (ie. urine, saliva, blood).
- (6) What drugs or other substances are tested for.
- (7) How many drug tests were taken in each of the financial years 2000-01 to 2006-07.
- (8) How many drug tests returned a positive result in each of the years 2000-01 to 2006-07.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

1. The specific storage arrangements for disinfectants vary across the prison system.
2. Refer to answer above.
3. A range of liquid disinfectants and powdered bleach sachets are used across the prison system.
4. All prisoners are drug tested on their arrival into custody. Prisoners can also be required to submit to a targeted drug test and tests at the request of the Adult Parole Board.
5. All drug tests are taken by way of urine samples.
6. Tests are conducted for a range of substances including amphetamines, benzodiazepines and opiates.
7. Collation of information in the specific format sought by the Honourable member represents an unreasonable diversion of resources by Corrections Victoria.
8. Refer to answer above.

Corrections: drugs — HM Prison Langi Kal Kal

912. **MR DALLA-RIVA** — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Corrections): In relation to services for intravenous drug users in Langi Kal Kal Prison:

- (1) Are supplies of disinfectant stored in every cell.

- (2) In which other areas is disinfectant stored for use by intravenous drug users.
- (3) Which disinfectant is used.
- (4) How often does this prison drug test inmates and on what grounds (ie. on admission, randomly, post-incident).
- (5) What type of sample is taken (ie. urine, saliva, blood).
- (6) What drugs or other substances are tested for.
- (7) How many drug tests were taken in each of the financial years 2000-01 to 2006-07.
- (8) How many drug tests returned a positive result in each of the years 2000-01 to 2006-07.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

1. The specific storage arrangements for disinfectants vary across the prison system.
2. Refer to answer above.
3. A range of liquid disinfectants and powdered bleach sachets are used across the prison system.
4. All prisoners are drug tested on their arrival into custody. Prisoners can also be required to submit to a targeted drug test and tests at the request of the Adult Parole Board.
5. All drug tests are taken by way of urine samples.
6. Tests are conducted for a range of substances including amphetamines, benzodiazepines and opiates.
7. Collation of information in the specific format sought by the Honourable member represents an unreasonable diversion of resources by Corrections Victoria.
8. Refer to answer above.

Corrections: drugs — Dame Phyllis Frost Centre

913. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Corrections): In relation to services for intravenous drug users in Dame Phyllis Frost Centre:

- (1) Are supplies of disinfectant stored in every cell.
- (2) In which other areas is disinfectant stored for use by intravenous drug users.
- (3) Which disinfectant is used.
- (4) How often does this prison drug test inmates and on what grounds (ie. on admission, randomly, post-incident).
- (5) What type of sample is taken (ie. urine, saliva, blood).
- (6) What drugs or other substances are tested for.
- (7) How many drug tests were taken in each of the financial years 2000-01 to 2006-07.
- (8) How many drug tests returned a positive result in each of the years 2000-01 to 2006-07.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

1. The specific storage arrangements for disinfectants vary across the prison system.
2. Refer to answer above.
3. A range of liquid disinfectants and powdered bleach sachets are used across the prison system.

4. All prisoners are drug tested on their arrival into custody. Prisoners can also be required to submit to a targeted drug test and tests at the request of the Adult Parole Board.
5. All drug tests are taken by way of urine samples.
6. Tests are conducted for a range of substances including amphetamines, benzodiazepines and opiates.
7. Collation of information in the specific format sought by the Honourable member represents an unreasonable diversion of resources by Corrections Victoria.
8. Refer to answer above.

Corrections: drugs — HM Prison Tarrengower

914. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Corrections): In relation to services for intravenous drug users in Tarrengower Prison:

- (1) Are supplies of disinfectant stored in every cell.
- (2) In which other areas is disinfectant stored for use by intravenous drug users.
- (3) Which disinfectant is used.
- (4) How often does this prison drug test inmates and on what grounds (ie. on admission, randomly, post-incident).
- (5) What type of sample is taken (ie. urine, saliva, blood).
- (6) What drugs or other substances are tested for.
- (7) How many drug tests were taken in each of the financial years 2000-01 to 2006-07.
- (8) How many drug tests returned a positive result in each of the years 2000-01 to 2006-07.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

1. The specific storage arrangements for disinfectants vary across the prison system.
2. Refer to answer above.
3. A range of liquid disinfectants and powdered bleach sachets are used across the prison system.
4. All prisoners are drug tested on their arrival into custody. Prisoners can also be required to submit to a targeted drug test and tests at the request of the Adult Parole Board.
5. All drug tests are taken by way of urine samples.
6. Tests are conducted for a range of substances including amphetamines, benzodiazepines and opiates.
7. Collation of information in the specific format sought by the Honourable member represents an unreasonable diversion of resources by Corrections Victoria.
8. Refer to answer above.

Community services: disability services — community residential units

918. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Community Services): In relation to Shared Supported Accommodation Community Residential Units (CRUs) in the Eastern Metropolitan Region:

- (1) How many separate CRUs are there in this region.
- (2) How many CRU beds are there in this region.
- (3) How many beds are currently not occupied.
- (4) How many people are currently on the Disability Support Register waiting for a bed.
- (5) How many people waiting for shared accommodation obtained a place in a CRU in each of the financial years 2000-01 to 2006-07.
- (6) How many days did people waiting for shared accommodation who obtained a place in a CRU have to wait on average in each of the financial years 2000-01 to 2006-07.
- (7) How much state funding has been allocated to CRUs in each of the financial years 2000-01 to 2007-08.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The data requested on Community Residential Units in regions is not a standard data set reported by the Disability Services Division. Further information of a more general nature is available in the Department of Human Services Annual report 2006-07.

Community services: disability services — community residential units

919. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Community Services): In relation to Shared Supported Accommodation Community Residential Units (CRUs) in the North and West Metropolitan Region:

- (1) How many separate CRUs are there in this region.
- (2) How many CRU beds are there in this region.
- (3) How many beds are currently not occupied.
- (4) How many people are currently on the Disability Support Register waiting for a bed.
- (5) How many people waiting for shared accommodation obtained a place in a CRU in each of the financial years 2000-01 to 2006-07.
- (6) How many days did people waiting for shared accommodation who obtained a place in a CRU have to wait on average in each of the financial years 2000-01 to 2006-07.
- (7) How much state funding has been allocated to CRUs in each of the financial years 2000-01 to 2007-08.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The data requested on Community Residential Units in regions is not a standard data set reported by the Disability Services Division. Further information of a more general nature is available in the Department of Human Services Annual report 2006-07.

Community services: disability services — community residential units

920. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Community Services): In relation to Shared Supported Accommodation Community Residential Units (CRUs) in the Southern Metropolitan Region:

- (1) How many separate CRUs are there in this region.
- (2) How many CRU beds are there in this region.

- (3) How many beds are currently not occupied.
- (4) How many people are currently on the Disability Support Register waiting for a bed.
- (5) How many people waiting for shared accommodation obtained a place in a CRU in each of the financial years 2000-01 to 2006-07.
- (6) How many days did people waiting for shared accommodation who obtained a place in a CRU have to wait on average in each of the financial years 2000-01 to 2006-07.
- (7) How much state funding has been allocated to CRUs in each of the financial years 2000-01 to 2007-08.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The data requested on Community Residential Units in regions is not a standard data set reported by the Disability Services Division. Further information of a more general nature is available in the Department of Human Services Annual report 2006-07.

Community services: disability services — community residential units

921. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Community Services): In relation to Shared Supported Accommodation Community Residential Units (CRUs) in the Barwon-South Western Region:

- (1) How many separate CRUs are there in this region.
- (2) How many CRU beds are there in this region.
- (3) How many beds are currently not occupied.
- (4) How many people are currently on the Disability Support Register waiting for a bed.
- (5) How many people waiting for shared accommodation obtained a place in a CRU in each of the financial years 2000-01 to 2006-07.
- (6) How many days did people waiting for shared accommodation who obtained a place in a CRU have to wait on average in each of the financial years 2000-01 to 2006-07.
- (7) How much state funding has been allocated to CRUs in each of the financial years 2000-01 to 2007-08.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The data requested on Community Residential Units in regions is not a standard data set reported by the Disability Services Division. Further information of a more general nature is available in the Department of Human Services Annual report 2006-07.

Community services: disability services — community residential units

922. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Community Services): In relation to Shared Supported Accommodation Community Residential Units (CRUs) in the Gippsland Region:

- (1) How many separate CRUs are there in this region.
- (2) How many CRU beds are there in this region.
- (3) How many beds are currently not occupied.
- (4) How many people are currently on the Disability Support Register waiting for a bed.

- (5) How many people waiting for shared accommodation obtained a place in a CRU in each of the financial years 2000-01 to 2006-07.
- (6) How many days did people waiting for shared accommodation who obtained a place in a CRU have to wait on average in each of the financial years 2000-01 to 2006-07.
- (7) How much state funding has been allocated to CRUs in each of the financial years 2000-01 to 2007-08.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The data requested on Community Residential Units in regions is not a standard data set reported by the Disability Services Division. Further information of a more general nature is available in the Department of Human Services Annual report 2006-07.

Community services: disability services — community residential units

923. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Community Services): In relation to Shared Supported Accommodation Community Residential Units (CRUs) in the Grampians Region:

- (1) How many separate CRUs are there in this region.
- (2) How many CRU beds are there in this region.
- (3) How many beds are currently not occupied.
- (4) How many people are currently on the Disability Support Register waiting for a bed.
- (5) How many people waiting for shared accommodation obtained a place in a CRU in each of the financial years 2000-01 to 2006-07.
- (6) How many days did people waiting for shared accommodation who obtained a place in a CRU have to wait on average in each of the financial years 2000-01 to 2006-07.
- (7) How much state funding has been allocated to CRUs in each of the financial years 2000-01 to 2007-08.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The data requested on Community Residential Units in regions is not a standard data set reported by the Disability Services Division. Further information of a more general nature is available in the Department of Human Services Annual report 2006-07.

Community services: disability services — community residential units

924. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Community Services): In relation to Shared Supported Accommodation Community Residential Units (CRUs) in the Hume Region:

- (1) How many separate CRUs are there in this region.
- (2) How many CRU beds are there in this region.
- (3) How many beds are currently not occupied.
- (4) How many people are currently on the Disability Support Register waiting for a bed.
- (5) How many people waiting for shared accommodation obtained a place in a CRU in each of the financial years 2000-01 to 2006-07.

- (6) How many days did people waiting for shared accommodation who obtained a place in a CRU have to wait on average in each of the financial years 2000-01 to 2006-07.
- (7) How much state funding has been allocated to CRUs in each of the financial years 2000-01 to 2007-08.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The data requested on Community Residential Units in regions is not a standard data set reported by the Disability Services Division. Further information of a more general nature is available in the Department of Human Services Annual report 2006-07.

Community services: disability services — community residential units

925. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Community Services): In relation to Shared Supported Accommodation Community Residential Units (CRUs) in the Loddon Mallee Region:

- (1) How many separate CRUs are there in this region.
- (2) How many CRU beds are there in this region.
- (3) How many beds are currently not occupied.
- (4) How many people are currently on the Disability Support Register waiting for a bed.
- (5) How many people waiting for shared accommodation obtained a place in a CRU in each of the financial years 2000-01 to 2006-07.
- (6) How many days did people waiting for shared accommodation who obtained a place in a CRU have to wait on average in each of the financial years 2000-01 to 2006-07.
- (7) How much state funding has been allocated to CRUs in each of the financial years 2000-01 to 2007-08.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The data requested on Community Residential Units in regions is not a standard data set reported by the Disability Services Division. Further information of a more general nature is available in the Department of Human Services Annual report 2006-07.

Environment and climate change: bushfires — fuel reduction

937. MRS PETROVICH — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change: How many Department of Sustainability and Environment 'prescribed' fires became out of control in each of the years 2000 to 2006.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Fire records are based on financial years. The number of prescribed fires that became wildfires since July 2000 are:

2000/2001	6
2001/2002	9
2002/2003	8
2003/2004	27
2004/2005	12

2005/2006	4
2006/2007	22

This list includes all wildfires that arose from burning off operations on public land, whether ignited by DSE, other agencies or industry.

Sport, recreation and youth affairs: program funding

964. **MR GUY** — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Sport, Recreation and Youth Affairs): What was the total amount of money allocated and spent in each of the calendar years 2005, 2006 and 2007 on —

- (a) the FReeZA program;
- (b) the Advance program; and
- (c) National Youth Week.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- (1) The amount allocated and spent on FReeZA in 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07 was \$2 million each year.
- (2) The amount allocated and spent on Advance in 2004-05 was \$4.2 million, in 2005-06 was \$4.7 million and in 2006-07 was \$4.6 million.
- (3) The amount allocated and spent on National Youth Week in Victoria in 2004-05 was \$160,000, in 2005-06 was \$160,000 and in 2006-07 was \$170,000. The amount allocated and spent on National Youth Week in Victoria includes a percentage of funding from the Australian Government.

Sport, recreation and youth affairs: Youth Foundations Victoria

967. **MR GUY** — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Sport, Recreation and Youth Affairs): In relation to the foundations of Youth Foundations Victoria:

- (1) What is the membership list of each foundation.
- (2) What is the total amount of funding provided for each foundation in the seven regions that have been allocated funding by the Government under Youth Foundations Victoria.
- (3) How many meetings has each foundation held since its inception.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Each of the Youth Foundations Victoria local sites will involve a group of young people which look at the needs of young people and make grants to other young people to run activities that benefit the community. The first three local sites are in the establishment stage of planning and recruiting young people.

The Victorian Government will provide \$4.5 million over four years to establish Youth Foundations Victoria in 15 disadvantaged local communities. The Bendigo Bank Group and its community partners will support the establishment through a matching financial and in kind contribution and will hold and manage the pool of funds on behalf of the YFV.

Each of the local sites has formed a Local Partnership Group which meets regularly with members from local community agencies and groups to plan and support the group of young people. In total 12 meetings of partnership groups have been held to date.

Roads and ports: electronic speed limit signs

1014. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Industry and Trade (for the Minister for Roads and Ports): In relation to the installation of electronic speed limit signs on Scoresby Road in Ferntree Gully near Fairhills High School:

- (1) When will the installation commence.
- (2) When will the installation be completed and the signs operational.

ANSWER:

As at the date the question was raised, the answer is:

A contract for the installation of electronic speed signs throughout Victoria will be awarded in early 2008. The detail of the timing of installation at individual schools will be resolved after the contract is awarded.

Public transport: SmartBus service

1016. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Industry and Trade (for the Minister for Public Transport): In relation to the investigation into incorporating Wellington Road bus stops, west of Stud Road, into the Smartbus service:

- (1) Has the investigation been finalised —
 - (a) if not, when will it be finalised;
 - (b) if so, what conclusions were reached regarding the existing stop on Wellington Road, 50 metres west of Stud Road.
- (2) Are any additional new stops being considered for inclusion in the service.
- (3) Are there any investigations underway into the —
 - (a) frequency of the service; if so, when will the investigation be finalised;
 - (b) hours of operation of the service; if so, when will the investigation be finalised; and
 - (c) extension of the route to include Knox City Shopping Centre; if so, when will the investigation be finalised.

ANSWER:

As at the date the question was raised, the answer is:

- (1) The Department of Infrastructure has completed its review of the bus stops along Wellington Road, west of Stud Road for use by SmartBus Route 900. These bus stops have now been upgraded to SmartBus standard and Route 900 commenced using these stops on 20 August 2007.
- (2) The Department of Infrastructure has not received any further requests from the community for additional stops to be added to this SmartBus service.
- (3)
 - (a) There are currently no investigations into the frequency of Route 900 as it currently meets the minimum SmartBus requirements of a 15 minute frequency during core hours and 30 minutes at other times.
 - (b) There are currently no investigations into the hours of operation of Route 900 as it currently meets the minimum SmartBus requirements of services from 5.00am to midnight on weekdays, 6.00am to midnight on Saturdays and 7.00am to 9.00pm on Sundays.
 - (c) There are no investigations being undertaken to extend the Route 900 SmartBus service to Knox City Shopping Centre. Passengers can currently connect with Route 665 on Stud Road, which operates between Ringwood and Dandenong, if they wish to travel to Knox City Shopping Centre.

Education: schools — Rowville and Lysterfield

1022. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Treasurer (for the Minister for Education): In relation to secondary school facilities in the Rowville and Lysterfield communities:

- (1) Have any previous examinations been conducted regarding the establishment of a new secondary school facility in the communities —
 - (a) if so, what was the result of the examination;
 - (b) if not, will the Government conduct an examination.
- (2) Has the Government previously identified land in the communities for an additional secondary education facility.
- (3) What are the current enrolment figures for Rowville Secondary College including the eastern and western campuses.
- (4) What is the anticipated enrolment figures for Rowville Secondary College including the eastern and western campuses in —
 - (a) 5 years;
 - (b) 10 years;
 - (c) 15 years; and
 - (d) 20 years.
- (5) What number of students is deemed to be the optimum enrolment figure for Rowville Secondary College, including the eastern and western campuses.

ANSWER:

I am informed as follows:

- (1) Rowville Secondary College is part of the proposed Knox Regeneration Project which is currently progressing through the *Building Futures* capital process. As part of this proposed regeneration project the future demand for government secondary education in the Rowville area is being reviewed. In accordance with input from the schools involved in the proposed regeneration project and the local community, along with advice from the Department of Education and Early Childhood's Eastern Metropolitan Region and Central offices, it is currently anticipated that the existing two secondary facilities in Rowville would remain.
- (2) The nearest site to Rowville / Lysterfield previously identified for future secondary provision was the proposed Mountain Gate secondary school on Ferntree Gully Road, Knoxfield (adjacent to Knox Park). This site was declared surplus and sold to the Ministry of Housing in 1985.
- (3) The current enrolment of Rowville Secondary College, including the eastern and western campuses, is 1,720.
- (4) It is not possible to provide anticipated future enrolment figures for Rowville Secondary College given that the school is part of a regeneration project that is yet to be finalised and will potentially change the delivery of education for Rowville and the wider area. Enrolment projections will also take into account revised population forecasts based on the 2006 ABS Census that are due to be released next year. However, current population forecasts (based on the 2001 ABS Census) indicate a decline in the 12-18 age cohort for the Knox (C) South Statistical Local Area, which corresponds very closely to the neighbourhood catchment of Knox Secondary College. The anticipated rate of decline is approximately:
 - 2% between 2006 and 2011;
 - 12% between 2006 and 2016
 - 20% between 2006 and 2021; and
 - 26% between 2006 and 2026.
- (5) Rowville Secondary College, including the eastern and western campuses, was designed and constructed for a Long-Term Enrolment (LTE) of 2,200.

Education: disability discrimination complaints

- 1051. MS HARTLAND** — To ask the Treasurer (for the Minister for Education): How many disability discrimination complaints have been lodged against the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development at the Victorian Equal Opportunity and Human Rights Commission under the *Equal Opportunity Act 1995*.

ANSWER:

I am informed as follows:

Ministerial responsibility for disability discrimination complaints lodged by students against the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development at the Victorian Equal Opportunity and Human Rights Commission under the *Equal Opportunity Act 1995* rests with the Minister for Children and Early Childhood Development.

Education: disability discrimination complaints

- 1052. MS HARTLAND** — To ask the Treasurer (for the Minister for Education): How many disability discrimination complaints have been lodged against the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development at the Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission (Commonwealth) under the *Disability Discrimination Act 1992*.

ANSWER:

I am informed as follows:

Ministerial responsibility for disability discrimination complaints lodged by students against the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development at the Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission (Commonwealth) under the *Disability Discrimination Act 1992* rests with the Minister for Children and Early Childhood Development.

Education: disability discrimination complaints

- 1054. MS HARTLAND** — To ask the Treasurer (for the Minister for Education): How much money has been spent by the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development in defending itself against, and appealing, disability discrimination claims related to students with disabilities.

ANSWER:

I am informed as follows:

This matter falls within the portfolio responsibilities of the Minister for Children and Early Childhood Development.

Education: students with disabilities program

- 1055. MS HARTLAND** — To ask the Treasurer (for the Minister for Education): In relation to previous reviews of the Program for Students with Disabilities, such as the *Better Services, Better Outcomes* report: Were the recommendations made to improve the Program for Students with Disabilities enacted; if so, how.

ANSWER:

I am informed as follows:

This matter falls within the portfolio responsibilities of the Minister for Children and Early Childhood Development.

Community services: women with disabilities — family violence

1056. MS HARTLAND — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Community Services): In relation to overseas research, which states that women with disabilities are 40% more likely to receive family violence than other women: What research has been undertaken in Victoria to look at the extent of women with disabilities experiencing family violence.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- The family violence benchmark data project now underway will identify integrated benchmark data for the family violence service system, including police, courts and support services. The data will record who is using the family violence service system and how many service users are able to access an integrated service. The data will provide information about the numbers of women with disabilities accessing services in Victoria.
- The Department of Human Services is not aware of any research that specifically looks at the incidence of FV experienced by women with disabilities in Victoria. I understand that estimates of the percentage of women with disabilities who experience family violence differ.

Community services: women with disabilities — family violence

1057. MS HARTLAND — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Community Services): What resources have been specifically allocated to women with disabilities experiencing family violence.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- As part of the training program provided to family violence workers, a training unit will be delivered later this year to provide staff with the skills base to ensure women with disabilities are provided with appropriate support from family violence services.
- Furthermore, in 2007 – 08, Disability Services Division of the Department of Human Services will develop a cross sector training program including a flexible learning resource for use by staff supporting women with a disability who may be experiencing family violence. The learning strategy will also assist staff in disability services and family violence services to enhance their skills in supporting women with a disability and also establish ongoing professional development networks.
- Recurrent funding of \$138,820 is provided to The Victorian Women with Disabilities Network, in partnership with Women’s Health Victoria, for the Advocacy Information Service (AIS). The AIS has produced a framework to address violence, called *A Framework for Influencing Change – Responding to Violence against Women with Disabilities, 2007-2009*.
- Within Victorian Courts, a range of training programs is provided for staff to assist them to respond to court clients with different needs. This includes specific training in relation to supporting and providing services to people with disabilities. Training occurs on a regular basis and is provided by trainers with specialist expertise in the area of violence against women and the needs of women with disabilities.

Community services: women with disabilities — family violence

1058. MS HARTLAND — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Community Services): What percentage of the Government’s family violence funding is specifically allocated to women with disabilities.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- The Department of Human Services (DHS) provides over \$25 million per annum in funding for crisis, outreach and counselling and support services for women and children experiencing family violence. All family violence services are required to provide an accessible service environment for women with disabilities.
- Codes of Practice and Guidelines developed for these services describe minimum standards of service to be provided to all women and children accessing these services, including women with disabilities.
- The Family Violence Court Division and the Specialist Family Violence Services in the Magistrates' Court provide a range of additional support to women seeking protection, including women with disabilities. To ensure these services are responsive to the needs of women with disabilities, diversity training is provided to staff on commencement.

Public transport: rail — passenger escort

1078. MR KOCH — To ask the Minister for Industry and Trade (for the Minister for Public Transport): During the periods 1 to 30 September 2007 and 1 to 11 October 2007 respectively, on how many occasions did Connex Roving Safety Officers or Authorised Officers escort female Connex passengers to their cars parked at free commuter car parks on the following lines —

- (a) Alamein;
- (b) Belgrave;
- (c) Broadmeadows/ Craigieburn;
- (d) Cranbourne;
- (e) Epping;
- (f) Frankston;
- (g) Glen Waverley;
- (h) Hurstbridge;
- (i) Lilydale;
- (j) Pakenham;
- (k) Sandringham;
- (l) Upfield;
- (m) Watergardens;
- (n) Werribee; and
- (o) Williamstown.

ANSWER:

As at the date the question was raised, the answer is:

Connex has advised that its roving safety officers are available to escort passengers to their vehicles when requested, however Connex does not record the number of occasions that this service is provided.

Corrections: drugs — HM Melbourne Assessment Prison

1104. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Corrections): In relation to services for intravenous drug users in Melbourne Assessment Prison —

- (1) Are supplies of disinfectant stored in every cell.
- (2) In which other areas is disinfectant stored for use by intravenous drug users.
- (3) Which disinfectant is used.
- (4) How often does this prison drug test inmates and on what grounds (ie. on admission, randomly, post-incident).
- (5) What type of sample is taken (ie. urine, saliva, blood).
- (6) What drugs or other substances are tested for.
- (7) How many drug tests were taken in each financial year from 2000-01 to 2006-07.
- (8) How many drug tests returned a positive result in each financial year from 2000-01 to 2006-07.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

You asked an identical Question on Notice on 18 September 2007. I refer you to my response to Question on Notice number 902.

Corrections: drugs — Metropolitan Remand Centre

1105. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Corrections): In relation to services for intravenous drug users in Metropolitan Remand Centre —

- (1) Are supplies of disinfectant stored in every cell.
- (2) In which other areas is disinfectant stored for use by intravenous drug users.
- (3) Which disinfectant is used.
- (4) How often does this prison drug test inmates and on what grounds (ie. on admission, randomly, post-incident).
- (5) What type of sample is taken (ie. urine, saliva, blood).
- (6) What drugs or other substances are tested for.
- (7) How many drug tests were taken in each financial year from 2000-01 to 2006-07.
- (8) How many drug tests returned a positive result in each financial year from 2000-01 to 2006-07.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

You asked an identical Question on Notice on 18 September 2007. I refer you to my response to Question on Notice number 903.

Corrections: drugs — Port Phillip Prison

1106. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Corrections): In relation to services for intravenous drug users in Port Phillip Prison —

- (1) Are supplies of disinfectant stored in every cell.
- (2) In which other areas is disinfectant stored for use by intravenous drug users.
- (3) Which disinfectant is used.

- (4) How often does this prison drug test inmates and on what grounds (ie. on admission, randomly, post-incident).
- (5) What type of sample is taken (ie. urine, saliva, blood).
- (6) What drugs or other substances are tested for.
- (7) How many drug tests were taken in each financial year from 2000-01 to 2006-07.
- (8) How many drug tests returned a positive result in each financial year from 2000-01 to 2006-07.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

You asked an identical Question on Notice on 18 September 2007. I refer you to my response to Question on Notice number 904.

Corrections: drugs — HM Prison Barwon

1107. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Corrections): In relation to services for intravenous drug users in Barwon Prison —

- (1) Are supplies of disinfectant stored in every cell.
- (2) In which other areas is disinfectant stored for use by intravenous drug users.
- (3) Which disinfectant is used.
- (4) How often does this prison drug test inmates and on what grounds (ie. on admission, randomly, post-incident).
- (5) What type of sample is taken (ie. urine, saliva, blood).
- (6) What drugs or other substances are tested for.
- (7) How many drug tests were taken in each financial year from 2000-01 to 2006-07.
- (8) How many drug tests returned a positive result in each financial year from 2000-01 to 2006-07.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

You asked an identical Question on Notice on 18 September 2007. I refer you to my response to Question on Notice number 905.

Corrections: drugs — HM Prison Ararat

1108. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Corrections): In relation to services for intravenous drug users in Ararat Prison —

- (1) Are supplies of disinfectant stored in every cell.
- (2) In which other areas is disinfectant stored for use by intravenous drug users.
- (3) Which disinfectant is used.
- (4) How often does this prison drug test inmates and on what grounds (ie. on admission, randomly, post-incident).
- (5) What type of sample is taken (ie. urine, saliva, blood).
- (6) What drugs or other substances are tested for.
- (7) How many drug tests were taken in each financial year from 2000-01 to 2006-07.
- (8) How many drug tests returned a positive result in each financial year from 2000-01 to 2006-07.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

You asked an identical Question on Notice on 18 September 2007. I refer you to my response to Question on Notice number 906.

Corrections: drugs — Marngoneet Correctional Centre

1109. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Corrections): In relation to services for intravenous drug users in Marngoneet Correctional Centre —

- (1) Are supplies of disinfectant stored in every cell.
- (2) In which other areas is disinfectant stored for use by intravenous drug users.
- (3) Which disinfectant is used.
- (4) How often does this prison drug test inmates and on what grounds (ie. on admission, randomly, post-incident).
- (5) What type of sample is taken (ie. urine, saliva, blood).
- (6) What drugs or other substances are tested for.
- (7) How many drug tests were taken in each financial year from 2000-01 to 2006-07.
- (8) How many drug tests returned a positive result in each financial year from 2000-01 to 2006-07.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

You asked an identical Question on Notice on 18 September 2007. I refer you to my response to Question on Notice number 907.

Corrections: drugs — Fulham Correctional Centre

1110. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Corrections): In relation to services for intravenous drug users in Fulham Correctional Centre —

- (1) Are supplies of disinfectant stored in every cell.
- (2) In which other areas is disinfectant stored for use by intravenous drug users.
- (3) Which disinfectant is used.
- (4) How often does this prison drug test inmates and on what grounds (ie. on admission, randomly, post-incident).
- (5) What type of sample is taken (ie. urine, saliva, blood).
- (6) What drugs or other substances are tested for.
- (7) How many drug tests were taken in each financial year from 2000-01 to 2006-07.
- (8) How many drug tests returned a positive result in each financial year from 2000-01 to 2006-07.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

You asked an identical Question on Notice on 18 September 2007. I refer you to my response to Question on Notice number 908.

Corrections: drugs — HM Prison Loddon

1111. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Corrections): In relation to services for intravenous drug users in Loddon Prison —

- (1) Are supplies of disinfectant stored in every cell.
- (2) In which other areas is disinfectant stored for use by intravenous drug users.
- (3) Which disinfectant is used.
- (4) How often does this prison drug test inmates and on what grounds (ie. on admission, randomly, post-incident).
- (5) What type of sample is taken (ie. urine, saliva, blood).
- (6) What drugs or other substances are tested for.
- (7) How many drug tests were taken in each financial year from 2000-01 to 2006-07.
- (8) How many drug tests returned a positive result in each financial year from 2000-01 to 2006-07.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

You asked an identical Question on Notice on 18 September 2007. I refer you to my response to Question on Notice number 909.

Corrections: drugs — Beechworth Correctional Centre

1112. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Corrections): In relation to services for intravenous drug users in Beechworth Correctional Centre —

- (1) Are supplies of disinfectant stored in every cell.
- (2) In which other areas is disinfectant stored for use by intravenous drug users.
- (3) Which disinfectant is used.
- (4) How often does this prison drug test inmates and on what grounds (ie. on admission, randomly, post-incident).
- (5) What type of sample is taken (ie. urine, saliva, blood).
- (6) What drugs or other substances are tested for.
- (7) How many drug tests were taken in each financial year from 2000-01 to 2006-07.
- (8) How many drug tests returned a positive result in each financial year from 2000-01 to 2006-07.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

You asked an identical Question on Notice on 18 September 2007. I refer you to my response to Question on Notice number 910.

Corrections: drugs — HM Prison Dhurringile

1113. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Corrections): In relation to services for intravenous drug users in Dhurringile Prison —

- (1) Are supplies of disinfectant stored in every cell.
- (2) In which other areas is disinfectant stored for use by intravenous drug users.
- (3) Which disinfectant is used.

- (4) How often does this prison drug test inmates and on what grounds (ie. on admission, randomly, post-incident).
- (5) What type of sample is taken (ie. urine, saliva, blood).
- (6) What drugs or other substances are tested for.
- (7) How many drug tests were taken in each financial year from 2000-01 to 2006-07.
- (8) How many drug tests returned a positive result in each financial year from 2000-01 to 2006-07.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

You asked an identical Question on Notice on 18 September 2007. I refer you to my response to Question on Notice number 911.

Corrections: drugs — HM Prison Langi Kal Kal

1114. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Corrections): In relation to services for intravenous drug users in Langi Kal Kal Prison —

- (1) Are supplies of disinfectant stored in every cell.
- (2) In which other areas is disinfectant stored for use by intravenous drug users.
- (3) Which disinfectant is used.
- (4) How often does this prison drug test inmates and on what grounds (ie. on admission, randomly, post-incident).
- (5) What type of sample is taken (ie. urine, saliva, blood).
- (6) What drugs or other substances are tested for.
- (7) How many drug tests were taken in each financial year from 2000-01 to 2006-07.
- (8) How many drug tests returned a positive result in each financial year from 2000-01 to 2006-07.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

You asked an identical Question on Notice on 18 September 2007. I refer you to my response to Question on Notice number 912.

Corrections: drugs — Dame Phyllis Frost Centre

1115. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Corrections): In relation to services for intravenous drug users in Dame Phyllis Frost Centre —

- (1) Are supplies of disinfectant stored in every cell.
- (2) In which other areas is disinfectant stored for use by intravenous drug users.
- (3) Which disinfectant is used.
- (4) How often does this prison drug test inmates and on what grounds (ie. on admission, randomly, post-incident).
- (5) What type of sample is taken (ie. urine, saliva, blood).
- (6) What drugs or other substances are tested for.
- (7) How many drug tests were taken in each financial year from 2000-01 to 2006-07.
- (8) How many drug tests returned a positive result in each financial year from 2000-01 to 2006-07.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

You asked an identical Question on Notice on 18 September 2007. I refer you to my response to Question on Notice number 913.

Corrections: HM Prison Tarrengower

1116. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Corrections): In relation to services for intravenous drug users in Tarrengower Prison —

- (1) Are supplies of disinfectant stored in every cell.
- (2) In which other areas is disinfectant stored for use by intravenous drug users.
- (3) Which disinfectant is used.
- (4) How often does this prison drug test inmates and on what grounds (ie. on admission, randomly, post-incident).
- (5) What type of sample is taken (ie. urine, saliva, blood).
- (6) What drugs or other substances are tested for.
- (7) How many drug tests were taken in each financial year from 2000-01 to 2006-07.
- (8) How many drug tests returned a positive result in each financial year from 2000-01 to 2006-07.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

You asked an identical Question on Notice on 18 September 2007. I refer you to my response to Question on Notice number 914.

Community services: disability services — community residential units

1124. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Community Services): In relation to Community Residential Units (CRU) shared supported accommodation in the Eastern Metropolitan Region —

- (1) How many separate CRUs are there in this Region.
- (2) How many CRU beds are there in this Region.
- (3) How many beds are currently not occupied.
- (4) How many people are currently on the Disability Support Register waiting for a bed.
- (5) How many days did people waiting for shared accommodation who obtained a place in a CRU have to wait on average in each of the financial years 2000-01 to 2006-07.
- (6) How much state funding has been allocated to CRU in each of the financial years 2000-01 to 2006-07.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The data requested on Community Residential Units in regions is not a standard data set reported by the Disability Services Division. Further information of a more general nature is available in the Department of Human Services Annual report 2006-07.

Community services: disability services — community residential units

1125. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Community Services): In relation to Community Residential Units (CRU) shared supported accommodation in the Northern Metropolitan Region —

- (1) How many separate CRUs are there in this Region.
- (2) How many CRU beds are there in this Region.
- (3) How many beds are currently not occupied.
- (4) How many people are currently on the Disability Support Register waiting for a bed.
- (5) How many days did people waiting for shared accommodation who obtained a place in a CRU have to wait on average in each of the financial years 2000-01 to 2006-07.
- (6) How much state funding has been allocated to CRU in each of the financial years 2000-01 to 2006-07.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The data requested on Community Residential Units in regions is not a standard data set reported by the Disability Services Division. Further information of a more general nature is available in the Department of Human Services Annual report 2006-07.

Community services: disability services — community residential units

1126. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Community Services): In relation to Community Residential Units (CRU) shared supported accommodation in the Western Metropolitan Region —

- (1) How many separate CRUs are there in this Region.
- (2) How many CRU beds are there in this Region.
- (3) How many beds are currently not occupied.
- (4) How many people are currently on the Disability Support Register waiting for a bed.
- (5) How many days did people waiting for shared accommodation who obtained a place in a CRU have to wait on average in each of the financial years 2000-01 to 2006-07.
- (6) How much state funding has been allocated to CRU in each of the financial years 2000-01 to 2006-07.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The data requested on Community Residential Units in regions is not a standard data set reported by the Disability Services Division. Further information of a more general nature is available in the Department of Human Services Annual report 2006-07.

Community services: disability services — community residential units

1127. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Community Services): In relation to Community Residential Units (CRU) shared supported accommodation in the Southern Metropolitan Region —

- (1) How many separate CRUs are there in this Region.

- (2) How many CRU beds are there in this Region.
- (3) How many beds are currently not occupied.
- (4) How many people are currently on the Disability Support Register waiting for a bed.
- (5) How many days did people waiting for shared accommodation who obtained a place in a CRU have to wait on average in each of the financial years 2000-01 to 2006-07.
- (6) How much state funding has been allocated to CRU in each of the financial years 2000-01 to 2006-07.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The data requested on Community Residential Units in regions is not a standard data set reported by the Disability Services Division. Further information of a more general nature is available in the Department of Human Services Annual report 2006-07.

Community services: disability services — community residential units

1128. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Community Services): In relation to Community Residential Units (CRU) shared supported accommodation in the Barwon-South Western Region —

- (1) How many separate CRUs are there in this Region.
- (2) How many CRU beds are there in this Region.
- (3) How many beds are currently not occupied.
- (4) How many people are currently on the Disability Support Register waiting for a bed.
- (5) How many days did people waiting for shared accommodation who obtained a place in a CRU have to wait on average in each of the financial years 2000-01 to 2006-07.
- (6) How much state funding has been allocated to CRU in each of the financial years 2000-01 to 2006-07.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The data requested on Community Residential Units in regions is not a standard data set reported by the Disability Services Division. Further information of a more general nature is available in the Department of Human Services Annual report 2006-07.

Community services: disability services — community residential units

1129. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Community Services): In relation to Community Residential Units (CRU) shared supported accommodation in the Gippsland Region —

- (1) How many separate CRUs are there in this Region.
- (2) How many CRU beds are there in this Region.
- (3) How many beds are currently not occupied.
- (4) How many people are currently on the Disability Support Register waiting for a bed.
- (5) How many days did people waiting for shared accommodation who obtained a place in a CRU have to wait on average in each of the financial years 2000-01 to 2006-07.

- (6) How much state funding has been allocated to CRU in each of the financial years 2000-01 to 2006-07.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The data requested on Community Residential Units in regions is not a standard data set reported by the Disability Services Division. Further information of a more general nature is available in the Department of Human Services Annual report 2006-07.

Community services: disability services — community residential units

1130. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Community Services): In relation to Community Residential Units (CRU) shared supported accommodation in the Grampians Region —

- (1) How many separate CRUs are there in this Region.
- (2) How many CRU beds are there in this Region.
- (3) How many beds are currently not occupied.
- (4) How many people are currently on the Disability Support Register waiting for a bed.
- (5) How many days did people waiting for shared accommodation who obtained a place in a CRU have to wait on average in each of the financial years 2000-01 to 2006-07.
- (6) How much state funding has been allocated to CRU in each of the financial years 2000-01 to 2006-07.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The data requested on Community Residential Units in regions is not a standard data set reported by the Disability Services Division. Further information of a more general nature is available in the Department of Human Services Annual report 2006-07.

Community services: disability services — community residential units

1131. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Community Services): In relation to Community Residential Units (CRU) shared supported accommodation in the Hume Region —

- (1) How many separate CRUs are there in this Region.
- (2) How many CRU beds are there in this Region.
- (3) How many beds are currently not occupied.
- (4) How many people are currently on the Disability Support Register waiting for a bed.
- (5) How many days did people waiting for shared accommodation who obtained a place in a CRU have to wait on average in each of the financial years 2000-01 to 2006-07.
- (6) How much state funding has been allocated to CRU in each of the financial years 2000-01 to 2006-07.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The data requested on Community Residential Units in regions is not a standard data set reported by the Disability Services Division. Further information of a more general nature is available in the Department of Human Services Annual report 2006-07.

Community services: disability services — community residential units

1132. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Community Services): In relation to Community Residential Units (CRU) shared supported accommodation in the Loddon Mallee Region —

- (1) How many separate CRUs are there in this Region.
- (2) How many CRU beds are there in this Region.
- (3) How many beds are currently not occupied.
- (4) How many people are currently on the Disability Support Register waiting for a bed.
- (5) How many days did people waiting for shared accommodation who obtained a place in a CRU have to wait on average in each of the financial years 2000-01 to 2006-07.
- (6) How much state funding has been allocated to CRU in each of the financial years 2000-01 to 2006-07.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The data requested on Community Residential Units in regions is not a standard data set reported by the Disability Services Division. Further information of a more general nature is available in the Department of Human Services Annual report 2006-07.

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Answers to the following questions on notice were circulated on the date shown.

Questions have been incorporated from the notice paper of the Legislative Council.

Answers have been incorporated in the form supplied by the departments on behalf of the appropriate ministers.

The portfolio of the minister answering the question on notice starts each heading.

Wednesday, 5 December 2007

Mental health: peninsula area — funding

574. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Community Services (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to mental health funding in the Peninsula Adult Mental Health Service Area:

- (1) How much funding went to services (be they adult, aged persons, CAMHS, PDRSS or statewide and specialist) located within the Peninsula Adult Mental Health Service Area in the years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07 respectively.
- (2) How much funding from the clinical care output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will be directed to services (be they adult, aged persons, CAMHS or statewide and specialist) located within the Peninsula Adult Mental Health Service Area.
- (3) What is the name and the location of all services that will receive funding from the 2007-08 clinical mental health budget.
- (4) Exactly how much funding from the clinical care output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will each of these services receive.
- (5) How much funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will be directed to services located within the Peninsula Adult Mental Health Service Area.
- (6) What is the name and the location of all services that will receive funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget.
- (7) Exactly how much funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will each of these services receive.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

(1-7) In relation to questions 1-7, it should be noted that different catchment areas generally apply to adult, aged persons, CAMHS and specialist services. Psychiatric Disability Rehabilitation and Support Services (PDRSS) output funding is distributed on the basis of DHS region.

Catchment areas and the location of services can be found on the mental health web site:

<http://www.health.vic.gov.au/mentalhealth/services/index.htm>.

Information on mental health funding to services can be found in the *Public Hospitals and Mental Health Services Policy and Funding Guidelines* at the following website: <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/pfg/>. Funding to specific PDRSS agencies is detailed in the relevant Service Agreements.

Mental health: central east area — funding

575. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Community Services (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to mental health funding in the Central East Adult Mental Health Service Area:

- (1) How much funding went to services (be they adult, aged persons, CAMHS, PDRSS or statewide and specialist) located within the Central East Adult Mental Health Service Area in each of the years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07.
- (2) How much funding from the clinical care output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will be directed to services (be they adult, aged persons, CAMHS or statewide and specialist) located within the Central East Adult Mental Health Service Area.
- (3) What is the name and the location of all services that will receive funding from the 2007-08 clinical mental health budget.
- (4) Exactly how much funding from the clinical care output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will each of these services receive.
- (5) How much funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will be directed to services located within the Central East Adult Mental Health Service Area.
- (6) What is the name and the location of all services that will receive funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget.
- (7) Exactly how much funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will each of these services receive.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

(1-7) In relation to questions 1-7, it should be noted that different catchment areas generally apply to adult, aged persons, CAMHS and specialist services. Psychiatric Disability Rehabilitation and Support Services (PDRSS) output funding is distributed on the basis of DHS region.

Catchment areas and the location of services can be found on the mental health web site:
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Information on mental health funding to services can be found in the *Public Hospitals and Mental Health Services Policy and Funding Guidelines* at the following website: <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/pfg/>. Funding to specific PDRSS agencies is detailed in the relevant Service Agreements.

Mental health: Dandenong area — funding

576. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Community Services (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to mental health funding in the Dandenong Adult Mental Health Service Area:

- (1) How much funding went to services (be they adult, aged persons, CAMHS, PDRSS or statewide and specialist) located within the Dandenong Adult Mental Health Service Area in each of the years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07.
- (2) How much funding from the clinical care output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will be directed to services (be they adult, aged persons, CAMHS or statewide and specialist) located within the Dandenong Adult Mental Health Service Area.
- (3) What is the name and the location of all services that will receive funding from the 2007-08 clinical mental health budget.
- (4) Exactly how much funding from the clinical care output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will each of these services receive.
- (5) How much funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will be directed to services located within the Dandenong Adult Mental Health Service Area.
- (6) What is the name and the location of all services that will receive funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget.
- (7) Exactly how much funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will each of these services receive.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

(1-7) In relation to questions 1-7, it should be noted that different catchment areas generally apply to adult, aged persons, CAMHS and specialist services. Psychiatric Disability Rehabilitation and Support Services (PDRSS) output funding is distributed on the basis of DHS region.

Catchment areas and the location of services can be found on the mental health web site:
<http://www.health.vic.gov.au/mentalhealth/services/index.htm>.

Information on mental health funding to services can be found in the *Public Hospitals and Mental Health Services Policy and Funding Guidelines* at the following website: <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/pfg/>. Funding to specific PDRSS agencies is detailed in the relevant Service Agreements.

Mental health: south-east area — funding

577. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Community Services (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to mental health funding in the South East Adult Mental Health Service Area:

- (1) How much funding went to services (be they adult, aged persons, CAMHS, PDRSS or statewide and specialist) located within the South East Adult Mental Health Service Area in each of the years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07.
- (2) How much funding from the clinical care output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will be directed to services (be they adult, aged persons, CAMHS or statewide and specialist) located within the South East Adult Mental Health Service Area.
- (3) What is the name and the location of all services that will receive funding from the clinical care output of the 2007-08 mental health budget.
- (4) Exactly how much funding from the clinical care budget of the 2007-08 mental health budget will each of these services receive.
- (5) How much funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will be directed to services located within the South East Adult Mental Health Service Area.
- (6) What is the name and the location of all services that will receive funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget.
- (7) Exactly how much funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will each of these services receive.

ANSWER:

(1-7) In relation to questions 1-7, it should be noted that different catchment areas generally apply to adult, aged persons, CAMHS and specialist services. Psychiatric Disability Rehabilitation and Support Services (PDRSS) output funding is distributed on the basis of DHS region.

Catchment areas and the location of services can be found on the mental health web site:
<http://www.health.vic.gov.au/mentalhealth/services/index.htm>.

Information on mental health funding to services can be found in the *Public Hospitals and Mental Health Services Policy and Funding Guidelines* at the following website: <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/pfg/>. Funding to specific PDRSS agencies is detailed in the relevant Service Agreements.

Mental health: inner urban east area — funding

578. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Community Services (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to mental health funding in the Inner Urban East Adult Mental Health Service Area:

- (1) How much funding went to services (be they adult, aged persons, CAMHS, PDRSS or statewide and specialist) located within the Inner Urban East Adult Mental Health Service Area in each of the years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07.
- (2) How much funding from the clinical care output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will be directed to services (be they adult, aged persons, CAMHS or statewide and specialist) located within the Inner Urban East Adult Mental Health Service Area.
- (3) What is the name and the location of all services that will receive funding from the clinical care output of the 2007-08 mental health budget.
- (4) Exactly how much funding from the clinical care output of the 2007-08 clinical mental health budget will each of these services receive.
- (5) How much funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will be directed to services located within the Inner Urban East Adult Mental Health Service Area.
- (6) What is the name and the location of all services that will receive funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget.
- (7) Exactly how much funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will each of these services receive.

ANSWER:

(1-7) In relation to questions 1-7, it should be noted that different catchment areas generally apply to adult, aged persons, CAMHS and specialist services. Psychiatric Disability Rehabilitation and Support Services (PDRSS) output funding is distributed on the basis of DHS region.

Catchment areas and the location of services can be found on the mental health web site:

<http://www.health.vic.gov.au/mentalhealth/services/index.htm>.

Information on mental health funding to services can be found in the *Public Hospitals and Mental Health Services Policy and Funding Guidelines* at the following website: <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/pfg/>. Funding to specific PDRSS agencies is detailed in the relevant Service Agreements.

Mental health: inner west area — funding

579. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Community Services (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to mental health funding in the Inner West Adult Mental Health Service Area:

- (1) How much funding went to services (be they adult, aged persons, CAMHS, PDRSS or statewide and specialist) located within the Inner West Adult Mental Health Service Area in each of the years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07.
- (2) How much funding from the clinical care output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will be directed to services (be they adult, aged persons, CAMHS or statewide and specialist) located within the Inner West Adult Mental Health Service Area.
- (3) What is the name and the location of all services that will receive funding from the clinical care output of the 2007-08 mental health budget.
- (4) Exactly how much funding from the clinical care output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will each of these services receive.
- (5) How much funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will be directed to services located within the Inner West Adult Mental Health Service Area.
- (6) What is the name and the location of all services that will receive funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget.
- (7) Exactly how much funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will each of these services receive.

ANSWER:

(1-7) In relation to questions 1-7, it should be noted that different catchment areas generally apply to adult, aged persons, CAMHS and specialist services. Psychiatric Disability Rehabilitation and Support Services (PDRSS) output funding is distributed on the basis of DHS region.

Catchment areas and the location of services can be found on the mental health web site:
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Mental health: mid-west area — funding

580. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Community Services (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to mental health funding in the Mid West Adult Mental Health Service Area:

- (1) How much funding went to services (be they adult, aged persons, CAMHS, PDRSS or statewide and specialist) located within the Mid West Adult Mental Health Service Area in each of the years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07.
- (2) How much funding from the clinical care output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will be directed to services (be they adult, aged persons, CAMHS or statewide and specialist) located within the Mid West Adult Mental Health Service Area.
- (3) What is the name and the location of all services that will receive funding from the clinical care output of the 2007-08 mental health budget.
- (4) Exactly how much funding from the clinical care output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will each of these services receive.
- (5) How much funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will be directed to services located within the Mid West Adult Mental Health Service Area.
- (6) What is the name and the location of all services that will receive funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget.
- (7) Exactly how much funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will each of these services receive.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

(1-7) In relation to questions 1-7, it should be noted that different catchment areas generally apply to adult, aged persons, CAMHS and specialist services. Psychiatric Disability Rehabilitation and Support Services (PDRSS) output funding is distributed on the basis of DHS region.

Catchment areas and the location of services can be found on the mental health web site:
<http://www.health.vic.gov.au/mentalhealth/services/index.htm>.

Information on mental health funding to services can be found in the *Public Hospitals and Mental Health Services Policy and Funding Guidelines* at the following website: <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/pfg/>. Funding to specific PDRSS agencies is detailed in the relevant Service Agreements.

Mental health: middle south area — funding

581. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Community Services (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to mental health funding in the Middle South Adult Mental Health Service Area:

- (1) How much funding went to services (be they adult, aged persons, CAMHS, PDRSS or statewide and specialist) located within the Middle South Adult Mental Health Service Area in each of the years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07.
- (2) How much funding from the clinical care output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will be directed to services (be they adult, aged persons, CAMHS or statewide and specialist) located within the Middle South Adult Mental Health Service Area.
- (3) What is the name and the location of all services that will receive funding from the clinical care output of the 2007-08 mental health budget.
- (4) Exactly how much funding from the clinical output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will each of these services receive.
- (5) How much funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will be directed to services located within the Middle South Adult Mental Health Service Area.
- (6) What is the name and the location of all services that will receive funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget.
- (7) Exactly how much funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will each of these services receive.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

(1-7) In relation to questions 1-7, it should be noted that different catchment areas generally apply to adult, aged persons, CAMHS and specialist services. Psychiatric Disability Rehabilitation and Support Services (PDRSS) output funding is distributed on the basis of DHS region.

Catchment areas and the location of services can be found on the mental health web site:
<http://www.health.vic.gov.au/mentalhealth/services/index.htm>.

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Mental health: north-east area — funding

582. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Community Services (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to mental health funding in the North East Adult Mental Health Service Area:

- (1) How much funding went to services (be they adult, aged persons, CAMHS, PDRSS or statewide and specialist) located within the North East Adult Mental Health Service Area in each of the years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07.
- (2) How much funding from the clinical care output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will be directed to services (be they adult, aged persons, CAMHS or statewide and specialist) located within the North East Adult Mental Health Service Area.
- (3) What is the name and the location of all services that will receive funding from the clinical care output of the 2007-08 mental health budget.
- (4) Exactly how much funding from the clinical care output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will each of these services receive.
- (5) How much funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will be directed to services located within the North East Adult Mental Health Service Area.
- (6) What is the name and the location of all services that will receive funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget.
- (7) Exactly how much funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will each of these services receive.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

(1-7) In relation to questions 1-7, it should be noted that different catchment areas generally apply to adult, aged persons, CAMHS and specialist services. Psychiatric Disability Rehabilitation and Support Services (PDRSS) output funding is distributed on the basis of DHS region.

Catchment areas and the location of services can be found on the mental health web site:
<http://www.health.vic.gov.au/mentalhealth/services/index.htm>.

Information on mental health funding to services can be found in the *Public Hospitals and Mental Health Services Policy and Funding Guidelines* at the following website: <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/pfg/>. Funding to specific PDRSS agencies is detailed in the relevant Service Agreements.

Mental health: north-west area — funding

583. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Community Services (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to mental health funding in the North West Adult Mental Health Service Area:

- (1) How much funding went to services (be they adult, aged persons, CAMHS, PDRSS or statewide and specialist) located within the North West Adult Mental Health Service Area in each of the years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07.
- (2) How much funding from the clinical care output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will be directed to services (be they adult, aged persons, CAMHS or statewide and specialist) located within the North West Adult Mental Health Service Area.
- (3) What is the name and the location of all services that will receive funding from the clinical care output of the 2007-08 mental health budget.
- (4) Exactly how much funding from the clinical care output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will each of these services receive.
- (5) How much funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will be directed to services located within the North West Adult Mental Health Service Area.
- (6) What is the name and the location of all services that will receive funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget.
- (7) Exactly how much funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will each of these services receive.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

(1-7) In relation to questions 1-7, it should be noted that different catchment areas generally apply to adult, aged persons, CAMHS and specialist services. Psychiatric Disability Rehabilitation and Support Services (PDRSS) output funding is distributed on the basis of DHS region.

Catchment areas and the location of services can be found on the mental health web site:
<http://www.health.vic.gov.au/mentalhealth/services/index.htm>.

Information on mental health funding to services can be found in the *Public Hospitals and Mental Health Services Policy and Funding Guidelines* at the following website: <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/pfg/>. Funding to specific PDRSS agencies is detailed in the relevant Service Agreements.

Mental health: northern area — funding

584. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Community Services (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to mental health funding in the Northern Adult Mental Health Service Area:

- (1) How much funding went to services (be they adult, aged persons, CAMHS, PDRSS or statewide and specialist) located within the Northern Adult Mental Health Service Area in each of the years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07.
- (2) How much funding from the clinical care output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will be directed to services (be they adult, aged persons, CAMHS or statewide and specialist) located within the Northern Adult Mental Health Service Area.
- (3) What is the name and the location of all services that will receive funding from the clinical care output of the 2007-08 mental health budget.
- (4) Exactly how much funding from the clinical care output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will each of these services receive.
- (5) How much funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will be directed to services located within the Northern Adult Mental Health Service Area.
- (6) What is the name and the location of all services that will receive funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget.
- (7) Exactly how much funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will each of these services receive.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

(1-7) In relation to questions 1-7, it should be noted that different catchment areas generally apply to adult, aged persons, CAMHS and specialist services. Psychiatric Disability Rehabilitation and Support Services (PDRSS) output funding is distributed on the basis of DHS region.

Catchment areas and the location of services can be found on the mental health web site:
<http://www.health.vic.gov.au/mentalhealth/services/index.htm>.

Information on mental health funding to services can be found in the *Public Hospitals and Mental Health Services Policy and Funding Guidelines* at the following website: <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/pfg/>. Funding to specific PDRSS agencies is detailed in the relevant Service Agreements.

Mental health: outer east area — funding

585. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Community Services (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to mental health funding in the Outer East Adult Mental Health Service Area:

- (1) How much funding went to services (be they adult, aged persons, CAMHS, PDRSS or statewide and specialist) located within the Outer East Adult Mental Health Service Area in each of the years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07.
- (2) How much funding from the clinical care output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will be directed to services (be they adult, aged persons, CAMHS or statewide and specialist) located within the Outer East Adult Mental Health Service Area.
- (3) What is the name and the location of all services that will receive funding from the clinical care output of the 2007-08 mental health budget.
- (4) Exactly how much funding from the clinical care output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will each of these services receive.
- (5) How much funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will be directed to services located within the Outer East Adult Mental Health Service Area.

- (6) What is the name and the location of all services that will receive funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 clinical mental health budget.
- (7) Exactly how much funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will each of these services receive.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

(1-7) In relation to questions 1-7, it should be noted that different catchment areas generally apply to adult, aged persons, CAMHS and specialist services. Psychiatric Disability Rehabilitation and Support Services (PDRSS) output funding is distributed on the basis of DHS region.

Catchment areas and the location of services can be found on the mental health web site:
<http://www.health.vic.gov.au/mentalhealth/services/index.htm>.

Information on mental health funding to services can be found in the *Public Hospitals and Mental Health Services Policy and Funding Guidelines* at the following website: <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/pfg/>. Funding to specific PDRSS agencies is detailed in the relevant Service Agreements.

Mental health: south-west area — funding

586. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Community Services (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to mental health funding in the South West Adult Mental Health Service Area:

- (1) How much funding went to services (be they adult, aged persons, CAMHS, PDRSS or statewide and specialist) located within the South West Adult Mental Health Service Area in each of the years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07.
- (2) How much funding from the clinical care output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will be directed to services (be they adult, aged persons, CAMHS or statewide and specialist) located within the South West Adult Mental Health Service Area.
- (3) What is the name and the location of all services that will receive funding from the clinical care output of the 2007-08 mental health budget.
- (4) Exactly how much funding from the clinical care output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will each of these services receive.
- (5) How much funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will be directed to services located within the South West Adult Mental Health Service Area.
- (6) What is the name and the location of all services that will receive funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget.
- (7) Exactly how much funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will each of these services receive.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

(1-7) In relation to questions 1-7, it should be noted that different catchment areas generally apply to adult, aged persons, CAMHS and specialist services. Psychiatric Disability Rehabilitation and Support Services (PDRSS) output funding is distributed on the basis of DHS region.

Catchment areas and the location of services can be found on the mental health web site:
<http://www.health.vic.gov.au/mentalhealth/services/index.htm>.

Information on mental health funding to services can be found in the *Public Hospitals and Mental Health Services Policy and Funding Guidelines* at the following website: <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/pfg/>. Funding to specific PDRSS agencies is detailed in the relevant Service Agreements.

Mental health: Barwon area — funding

587. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Community Services (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to mental health funding in the Barwon Mental Health Service Area:

- (1) How much funding went to services and initiatives located within the Barwon Mental Health Service Area in each of the years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07.
- (2) How much funding from the clinical care output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will be directed to services and initiatives located within the Barwon Mental Health Service Area.
- (3) What is the name and the location of all services and initiatives that will receive funding from the clinical care output of the 2007-08 mental health budget.
- (4) Exactly how much funding from the clinical care output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will each of these services and initiatives receive.
- (5) How much funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will be directed to services and initiatives located within the Barwon Mental Health Service Area.
- (6) What is the name and the location of all services and initiatives that will receive funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget.
- (7) Exactly how much funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will each of these services and initiatives receive.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

(1-7) In relation to questions 1-7, it should be noted that different catchment areas generally apply to adult, aged persons, CAMHS and specialist services. Psychiatric Disability Rehabilitation and Support Services (PDRSS) output funding is distributed on the basis of DHS region.

Catchment areas and the location of services can be found on the mental health web site:

<http://www.health.vic.gov.au/mentalhealth/services/index.htm>.

Information on mental health funding to services can be found in the *Public Hospitals and Mental Health Services Policy and Funding Guidelines* at the following website: <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/pfg/>. Funding to specific PDRSS agencies is detailed in the relevant Service Agreements.

Mental health: Gippsland area — funding

588. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Community Services (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to mental health funding in the Gippsland Mental Health Service Area:

- (1) How much funding went to services and initiatives located within the Gippsland Mental Health Service Area in each of the years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07.
- (2) How much funding from the clinical care output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will be directed to services and initiatives located within the Gippsland Mental Health Service Area.
- (3) What is the name and the location of all services and initiatives that will receive funding from the clinical care output of the 2007-08 mental health budget.
- (4) Exactly how much funding from the clinical care output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will each of these services and initiatives receive.

- (5) How much funding from the PRDSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will be directed to services and initiatives located within the Gippsland Mental Health Service Area.
- (6) What is the name and the location of all services and initiatives that will receive funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget.
- (7) Exactly how much funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will each of these services and initiatives receive.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

(1-7) In relation to questions 1-7, it should be noted that different catchment areas generally apply to adult, aged persons, CAMHS and specialist services. Psychiatric Disability Rehabilitation and Support Services (PDRSS) output funding is distributed on the basis of DHS region.

Catchment areas and the location of services can be found on the mental health web site:
<http://www.health.vic.gov.au/mentalhealth/services/index.htm>.

Information on mental health funding to services can be found in the *Public Hospitals and Mental Health Services Policy and Funding Guidelines* at the following website: <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/pfg/>. Funding to specific PDRSS agencies is detailed in the relevant Service Agreements.

Mental health: Glenelg area — funding

589. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Community Services (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to mental health funding in the Glenelg Mental Health Service Area:

- (1) How much funding went to services and initiatives located within the Glenelg Mental Health Service Area in each of the years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07.
- (2) How much funding from the clinical care output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will be directed to services and initiatives located within the Glenelg Mental Health Service Area.
- (3) What is the name and the location of all services and initiatives that will receive funding from the clinical care output of the 2007-08 mental health budget.
- (4) Exactly how much funding from the clinical care output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will each of these services and initiatives receive.
- (5) How much funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will be directed to services and initiatives located within the Glenelg Mental Health Service Area.
- (6) What is the name and the location of all services and initiatives that will receive funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget.
- (7) Exactly how much funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will each of these services and initiatives receive.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

(1-7) In relation to questions 1-7, it should be noted that different catchment areas generally apply to adult, aged persons, CAMHS and specialist services. Psychiatric Disability Rehabilitation and Support Services (PDRSS) output funding is distributed on the basis of DHS region.

Catchment areas and the location of services can be found on the mental health web site:
<http://www.health.vic.gov.au/mentalhealth/services/index.htm>.

Information on mental health funding to services can be found in the *Public Hospitals and Mental Health Services Policy and Funding Guidelines* at the following website: <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/pfg/>. Funding to specific PDRSS agencies is detailed in the relevant Service Agreements.

Mental health: Goulburn area — funding

590. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Community Services (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to mental health funding in the Goulburn Mental Health Service Area:

- (1) How much funding went to services and initiatives located within the Goulburn Mental Health Service Area in each of the years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07.
- (2) How much funding from the clinical care output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will be directed to services and initiatives located within the Goulburn Mental Health Service Area.
- (3) What is the name and the location of all services and initiatives that will receive funding from the clinical care output of the 2007-08 mental health budget.
- (4) Exactly how much funding from the clinical care output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will each of these services and initiatives receive.
- (5) How much funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will be directed to services and initiatives located within the Goulburn Mental Health Service Area.
- (6) What is the name and the location of all services and initiatives that will receive funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget.
- (7) Exactly how much funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will each of these services and initiatives receive.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

(1-7) In relation to questions 1-7, it should be noted that different catchment areas generally apply to adult, aged persons, CAMHS and specialist services. Psychiatric Disability Rehabilitation and Support Services (PDRSS) output funding is distributed on the basis of DHS region.

Catchment areas and the location of services can be found on the mental health web site:

<http://www.health.vic.gov.au/mentalhealth/services/index.htm>.

Information on mental health funding to services can be found in the *Public Hospitals and Mental Health Services Policy and Funding Guidelines* at the following website: <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/pfg/>. Funding to specific PDRSS agencies is detailed in the relevant Service Agreements.

Mental health: Loddon area — funding

591. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Community Services (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to mental health funding in the Loddon Mental Health Service Area:

- (1) How much funding went to services and initiatives located within the Loddon Mental Health Service Area in each of the years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07.
- (2) How much funding from the clinical care output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will be directed to services and initiatives located within the Loddon Mental Health Service Area.
- (3) What is the name and the location of all services and initiatives that will receive funding from the clinical care output of the 2007-08 mental health budget.
- (4) Exactly how much funding from the clinical care output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will each of these services and initiatives receive.

- (5) How much funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will be directed to services and initiatives located within the Loddon Mental Health Service Area.
- (6) What is the name and the location of all services and initiatives that will receive funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget.
- (7) Exactly how much funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will each of these services and initiatives receive.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

(1-7) In relation to questions 1-7, it should be noted that different catchment areas generally apply to adult, aged persons, CAMHS and specialist services. Psychiatric Disability Rehabilitation and Support Services (PDRSS) output funding is distributed on the basis of DHS region.

Catchment areas and the location of services can be found on the mental health web site:

<http://www.health.vic.gov.au/mentalhealth/services/index.htm>.

Information on mental health funding to services can be found in the *Public Hospitals and Mental Health Services Policy and Funding Guidelines* at the following website: <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/pfg/>. Funding to specific PDRSS agencies is detailed in the relevant Service Agreements.

Mental health: Grampians area — funding

592. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Community Services (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to mental health funding in the Grampians Mental Health Service Area:

- (1) How much funding went to services and initiatives located within the Grampians Mental Health Service Area in each of the years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07.
- (2) How much funding from the clinical care output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will be directed to services and initiatives located within the Grampians Mental Health Service Area.
- (3) What is the name and the location of all services and initiatives that will receive funding from the clinical care output of the 2007-08 mental health budget.
- (4) Exactly how much funding from the clinical care output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will each of these services and initiatives receive.
- (5) How much funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will be directed to services and initiatives located within the Grampians Mental Health Service Area.
- (6) What is the name and the location of all services and initiatives that will receive funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget.
- (7) Exactly how much funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will each of these services and initiatives receive.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

(1-7) In relation to questions 1-7, it should be noted that different catchment areas generally apply to adult, aged persons, CAMHS and specialist services. Psychiatric Disability Rehabilitation and Support Services (PDRSS) output funding is distributed on the basis of DHS region.

Catchment areas and the location of services can be found on the mental health web site:

<http://www.health.vic.gov.au/mentalhealth/services/index.htm>.

Information on mental health funding to services can be found in the *Public Hospitals and Mental Health Services Policy and Funding Guidelines* at the following website: <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/pfg/>. Funding to specific PDRSS agencies is detailed in the relevant Service Agreements.

Mental health: north-east Hume area — funding

593. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Community Services (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to mental health funding in the North East Hume Mental Health Service Area:

- (1) How much funding went to services and initiatives located within the North East Hume Mental Health Service Area in each of the years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07.
- (2) How much funding from the clinical care output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will be directed to services and initiatives located within the North East Hume Mental Health Service Area.
- (3) What is the name and the location of all services and initiatives that will receive funding from the clinical care output of the 2007-08 mental health budget.
- (4) Exactly how much funding from the clinical care output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will each of these services and initiatives receive.
- (5) How much funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will be directed to services and initiatives located within the North East Hume Mental Health Service Area.
- (6) What is the name and the location of all services and initiatives that will receive funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget.
- (7) Exactly how much funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will each of these services and initiatives receive.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

(1-7) In relation to questions 1-7, it should be noted that different catchment areas generally apply to adult, aged persons, CAMHS and specialist services. Psychiatric Disability Rehabilitation and Support Services (PDRSS) output funding is distributed on the basis of DHS region.

Catchment areas and the location of services can be found on the mental health web site: <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/mentalhealth/services/index.htm>.

Information on mental health funding to services can be found in the *Public Hospitals and Mental Health Services Policy and Funding Guidelines* at the following website: <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/pfg/>. Funding to specific PDRSS agencies is detailed in the relevant Service Agreements.

Mental health: northern Mallee area — funding

594. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Community Services (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to mental health funding in the Northern Mallee Mental Health Service Area:

- (1) How much funding went to services and initiatives located within the Northern Mallee Mental Health Service Area in each of the years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07.
- (2) How much funding from the clinical care output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will be directed to services and initiatives located within the Northern Mallee Mental Health Service Area.
- (3) What is the name and the location of all services and initiatives that will receive funding from the clinical care output of the 2007-08 mental health budget.

- (4) Exactly how much funding from the clinical care output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will each of these services and initiatives receive.
- (5) How much funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will be directed to services and initiatives located within the Northern Mallee Mental Health Service Area.
- (6) What is the name and the location of all services and initiatives that will receive funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget.
- (7) Exactly how much funding from the PDRSS output of the 2007-08 mental health budget will each of these services and initiatives receive.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

(1-7) In relation to questions 1-7, it should be noted that different catchment areas generally apply to adult, aged persons, CAMHS and specialist services. Psychiatric Disability Rehabilitation and Support Services (PDRSS) output funding is distributed on the basis of DHS region.

Catchment areas and the location of services can be found on the mental health web site:
<http://www.health.vic.gov.au/mentalhealth/services/index.htm>.

Information on mental health funding to services can be found in the *Public Hospitals and Mental Health Services Policy and Funding Guidelines* at the following website: <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/pfg/>. Funding to specific PDRSS agencies is detailed in the relevant Service Agreements.

Mental health: statewide and specialist services — funding

595. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Community Services (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to funding for statewide and specialist Mental Health services:

- (1) How much funding went to statewide or specialist services in each of the years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06, and 2006-07.
- (2) What is the name and location of each statewide and specialist service that received funding in these years.
- (3) How much funding did each service receive in each year.
- (4) What service were they funded to provide.
- (5) What is the name and the location of each statewide and specialist service that will receive funding from the 2007-08 mental health budget.
- (6) Exactly how much funding from the 2007-08 mental health budget will each of these statewide and specialist services receive.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

(1 - 6) The name and location of statewide and specialist services can be found on the mental health web site:
<http://www.health.vic.gov.au/mentalhealth/services/statewide.htm>

Information on mental health funding to services can be found in the *Public Hospitals and Mental Health Services Policy and Funding Guidelines* at the following website: <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/pfg/>.

Mental health: amphetamines task force

600. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Community Services (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to the government's "pre-emptive strike on ice":

- (1) Between the establishment of the Amphetamines Taskforce on 21 February 2007 and 18 July 2007, on how many occasions has the Taskforce met.
- (2) What were the dates of these meetings.
- (3) How many members of the Taskforce were present at each meeting.
- (4) What are the names of all Taskforce members absent from each of these meetings.
- (5) What is the date of the next scheduled meeting.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

(1), (2), (3), (4) and (5) - The Amphetamines taskforce has met as required with most, if not all members present. It will continue to meet as often as required to discharge its terms of reference.

Mental health: dual diagnosis services — funding

602. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Community Services (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to Victoria’s dual diagnosis services:

- (1) How much funding did the Eastern Dual Diagnosis Team receive in 2002-03, 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06, 2006-07, and how much is allocated in the 2007-08 budget.
- (2) How much funding did the Northern Nexus receive in 2002-03, 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06, 2006/2007, and how much is allocated in the 2007-08 budget.
- (3) How much funding did the Southern Dual Diagnosis Team receive in 2002-03, 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06, 2006/2007, and how much was allocated in the 2007-08 budget.
- (4) How much funding did the Western SUMITT receive in 2002-03, 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06, 2006/2007, and how much is allocated in the 2007-08 budget.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

(1) – (4) Dual Diagnosis funding is provided to the relevant Area Mental Health Services.

Information on mental health funding to services can be found in the Public Hospitals and Mental Health Services Policy and Funding Guidelines at the following website: <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/pfg/>.

Mental health: crisis assessment and treatment teams — funding

603. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Community Services (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to Crisis Assessment and Treatment Teams:

- (1) How much funding in the 2007-08 budget has been allocated to crisis assessment and treatment teams.
- (2) How much funding went to these teams in each of the years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07.
- (3) How many staff (by EFT) are currently employed in crisis assessment and treatment teams.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

(1 & 2)

Funding for Crisis Assessment and Treatment activity is provided to Area Mental Health Services.

Information on mental health funding to services can be found in the Public Hospitals and Mental Health Services Policy and Funding Guidelines at the following website: <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/pfg/>.

- (3) The number of effective full-time staff employed in crisis assessment and treatment teams is determined by Health Services as the employer.

Mental health: crisis assessment and treatment teams — funding

604. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Community Services (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to Crisis Assessment and Treatment Teams (CATTs) in the Eastern Metropolitan Region:

- (1) How much funding in the 2007-08 budget has been allocated to CATTs in the Eastern Metropolitan Region.
- (2) How much funding went to these teams in each of the years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07.
- (3) What the location of each CATT in this region to have received funding.
- (4) How many staff (by EFT) are currently employed in CATTs in the Eastern Metropolitan Region.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

(1 & 2)

Funding for Crisis Assessment and Treatment activity is provided to Area Mental Health Services. Information on mental health funding to services can be found in the Public Hospitals and Mental Health Services Policy and Funding Guidelines at the following website: <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/pfg/>.

- (3) The location of Crisis Assessment and Treatment Teams can be found on the mental health web site: <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/mentalhealth/services/adult/index.htm>
- (4) The number of effective full-time staff employed in crisis assessment and treatment teams is determined by Health Services as the employer.

Mental health: crisis assessment and treatment teams — funding

605. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Community Services (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to Crisis Assessment and Treatment Teams (CATTs) in the North and West Metropolitan Region:

- (1) How much funding in the 2007-08 budget has been allocated to CATTs in the North and West Metropolitan Region.
- (2) How much funding went to these teams in each of the years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07.
- (3) What the location of each CATT in this region to have received funding.
- (4) How many staff (by EFT) are currently employed in CATTs in the North and West Metropolitan Region.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

(1 & 2)

Funding for Crisis Assessment and Treatment activity is provided to Area Mental Health Services.

Information on mental health funding to services can be found in the Public Hospitals and Mental Health Services Policy and Funding Guidelines at the following website: <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/pfg/>.

- (3) The location of Crisis Assessment and Treatment Teams can be found on the mental health web site: <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/mentalhealth/services/adult/index.htm>
- (4) The number of effective full-time staff employed in crisis assessment and treatment teams is determined by Health Services as the employer.

Mental health: crisis assessment and treatment teams — funding

606. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Community Services (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to Crisis Assessment and Treatment Teams (CATTs) in the Southern Metropolitan Region:

- (1) How much funding in the 2007-08 budget has been allocated to CATTs in the Southern Metropolitan Region.
- (2) How much funding went to these teams in each of the years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07.
- (3) What the location of each CATT in this region to have received funding.
- (4) How many staff (by EFT) are currently employed in CATTs in the Southern Metropolitan Region.

ANSWER: I am informed that:

(1 & 2)

Funding for Crisis Assessment and Treatment activity is provided to Area Mental Health Services. Information on mental health funding to services can be found in the Public Hospitals and Mental Health Services Policy and Funding Guidelines at the following website: <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/pfg/>.

- (3) The location of Crisis Assessment and Treatment Teams can be found on the mental health web site: <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/mentalhealth/services/adult/index.htm>
- (4) The number of effective full-time staff employed in crisis assessment and treatment teams is determined by Health Services as the employer.

Mental health: crisis assessment and treatment teams — funding

607. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Community Services (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to Crisis Assessment and Treatment Teams (CATTs) in the Barwon South Western Region:

- (1) How much funding in the 2007-08 budget has been allocated to CATTs in the Barwon South Western Region.
- (2) How much funding went to these teams in each of the years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07.
- (3) What the location of each CATT in this region to have received funding.
- (4) How many staff (by EFT) are currently employed in CATTs in the Barwon South Western Region.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- (1 & 2) Funding for Crisis Assessment and Treatment activity is provided to Area Mental Health Services. Information on mental health funding to services can be found in the Public Hospitals and Mental Health Services Policy and Funding Guidelines at the following website: <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/pfg/>.
- (3) The location of Crisis Assessment and Treatment Teams can be found on the mental health web site: <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/mentalhealth/services/adult/index.htm>
- (4) The number of effective full-time staff employed in crisis assessment and treatment teams is determined by Health Services as the employer.

Mental health: crisis assessment and treatment teams — funding

- 608. MR DALLA-RIVA** — To ask the Minister for Community Services (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to Crisis Assessment and Treatment Teams (CATTs) in the Gippsland Region:
- (1) How much funding in the 2007-08 budget has been allocated to CATTs in the Gippsland Region.
 - (2) How much funding went to these teams in each of the years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07.
 - (3) What the location of each CATT in this region to have received funding.
 - (4) How many staff (by EFT) are currently employed in CATTs in the Gippsland Region.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- (1 & 2) Funding for Crisis Assessment and Treatment activity is provided to Area Mental Health Services. Information on mental health funding to services can be found in the Public Hospitals and Mental Health Services Policy and Funding Guidelines at the following website: <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/pfg/>.
- (3) The location of Crisis Assessment and Treatment Teams can be found on the mental health web site: <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/mentalhealth/services/adult/index.htm>
- (4) The number of effective full-time staff employed in crisis assessment and treatment teams is determined by Health Services as the employer.

Mental health: crisis assessment and treatment teams — funding

- 609. MR DALLA-RIVA** — To ask the Minister for Community Services (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to Crisis Assessment and Treatment Teams (CATTs) in the Grampians Region:
- (1) How much funding in the 2007-08 budget has been allocated to CATTs in the Grampians Region.
 - (2) How much funding went to these teams in each of the years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07.
 - (3) What the location of each CATT in this region to have received funding.
 - (4) How many staff (by EFT) are currently employed in CATTs in the Grampians Region.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- (1 & 2) Funding for Crisis Assessment and Treatment activity is provided to Area Mental Health Services. Information on mental health funding to services can be found in the Public Hospitals and Mental Health Services Policy and Funding Guidelines at the following website: <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/pfg/>.

- (3) The location of Crisis Assessment and Treatment Teams can be found on the mental health web site: <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/mentalhealth/services/adult/index.htm>
- (4) The number of effective full-time staff employed in crisis assessment and treatment teams is determined by Health Services as the employer.

Mental health: crisis assessment and treatment teams — funding

- 610. MR DALLA-RIVA** — To ask the Minister for Community Services (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to Crisis Assessment and Treatment Teams (CATTs) in the Hume Region:
- (1) How much funding in the 2007-08 budget has been allocated to CATTs in the Hume Region.
 - (2) How much funding went to these teams in each of the years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07.
 - (3) What the location of each CATT in this region to have received funding.
 - (4) How many staff (by EFT) are currently employed in CATTs in the Hume Region.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- (1 & 2) Funding for Crisis Assessment and Treatment activity is provided to Area Mental Health Services. Information on mental health funding to services can be found in the Public Hospitals and Mental Health Services Policy and Funding Guidelines at the following website: <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/pfg/>.
- (3) The location of Crisis Assessment and Treatment Teams can be found on the mental health web site: <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/mentalhealth/services/adult/index.htm>
- (4) The number of effective full-time staff employed in crisis assessment and treatment teams is determined by Health Services as the employer.

Mental health: crisis assessment and treatment teams — funding

- 611. MR DALLA-RIVA** — To ask the Minister for Community Services (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to Crisis Assessment and Treatment Teams (CATTs) in the Loddon Mallee Region:
- (1) How much funding in the 2007-08 budget has been allocated to CATTs in the Loddon Mallee Region.
 - (2) How much funding went to these teams in each of the years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07.
 - (3) What the location of each CATT in this region to have received funding.
 - (4) How many staff (by EFT) are currently employed in CATTs in the Loddon Mallee Region.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- (1 & 2) Funding for Crisis Assessment and Treatment activity is provided to Area Mental Health Services. Information on mental health funding to services can be found in the Public Hospitals and Mental Health Services Policy and Funding Guidelines at the following website: <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/pfg/>.
- (3) The location of Crisis Assessment and Treatment Teams can be found on the mental health web site: <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/mentalhealth/services/adult/index.htm>

- (4) The number of effective full-time staff employed in crisis assessment and treatment teams is determined by Health Services as the employer.

Mental health: residential detoxification beds

612. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Community Services (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to residential detoxification beds:

- (1) Which service providers and at what locations are funded by the State Government to provide residential detoxification beds.
- (2) How many detoxification beds does the State Government fund for each of these services.
- (3) What average length of stay is funded for each of these services.
- (4) How many residential detoxification beds are located within each of the 8 DHS regions.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- (1), (2), (3)

There are fourteen residential withdrawal services funded to provide 127 withdrawal beds for an average length of stay of 5-7 days.

- (4) All beds have a Statewide catchment.

Mental health: residential rehabilitation beds

613. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Community Services (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to residential rehabilitation beds for drug and alcohol users:

- (1) Which service providers and at what locations are funded by the State Government to provide residential rehabilitation beds.
- (2) How many residential rehabilitation beds does the State Government fund for each of these services.
- (3) What average length of stay is funded for each of these services.
- (4) How many residential rehabilitation beds are located within each of the 8 DHS regions.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- (1), (2), (3)

Nine residential rehabilitation services are funded to provide 200 beds for an average length of stay of 3-4 months.

- (4) All beds have a Statewide catchment.

Mental health: alcohol specific services and initiatives — funding

622. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Community Services (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to funding for alcohol specific services and initiatives for the years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07:

- (1) What amount of funding from the drugs services budget was spent on alcohol specific services and initiatives from the Drug Prevention and Control output.

- (2) What amount of funding from the drugs services budget was spent on alcohol specific services and initiatives from the Drug Treatment and Rehabilitation output.
- (3) What amount of money has been allocated from the 2007-08 drug services budget for alcohol specific services and initiatives from the Drug Prevention and Control output.
- (4) What amount of money has been allocated from the 2007-08 drug services budget for alcohol specific services and initiatives from the Drug Treatment and Rehabilitation output.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

(1), (2), (3) and (4) - All alcohol and drug services are funded to address a range of licit and illicit substances including alcohol.

Corrections: prisoners — mental illness

632. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Corrections): With reference to mental illness among Victoria's prison population:

- (1) What percentage of Victorian prisoners have a mental illness.
- (2) On what basis is this calculated.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

- (1) Approximately 30% of prisoners have a diagnosed mental illness.
- (2) The above figure is based on the data from the Victorian Prisoner Health Study, advice from forensic mental health professionals working within the prison system and the Department of Justice.

Mental health: community care units

634. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Community Services (for the Minister for Mental Health): With reference to Community Care Units:

- (1) How much funding in the 2007-08 budget is allocated to community care units.
- (2) How much funding went to community care units in each of the years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07.
- (3) How many community care units are operational in the state.
- (4) What is the total number of operational beds in community care units.
- (5) How many community care units and how many community care unit beds are located in each area mental health service.
- (6) How many staff (EFT) are currently employed in each area mental health service in community care units.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

(1 & 2)

Funding for Community Care Unit activity is provided to Area Mental Health Services. Information on mental health funding to services can be found in the Public Hospitals and Mental Health Services Policy and Funding Guidelines at the following website: <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/pfg/>.

(3, 4 & 5)

The numbers of operational beds in community care units are generally reported by health services in their annual reports.

(6) The number of effective full-time staff employed in community care units is determined by Health Services as the employer.

Mental health: primary mental health teams

636. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Community Services (for the Minister for Mental Health): With reference to Primary Mental Health Teams:

- (1) How much funding in the 2007-08 budget has been allocated to Primary Mental Health Teams.
- (2) How much money went to these services in the years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07.
- (3) How many staff (EFT) are currently employed in Primary Mental health Teams.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

(1 & 2)

Funding for primary mental health teams is provided to Area Mental Health Services. Information on mental health funding to services can be found in the Public Hospitals and Mental Health Services Policy and Funding Guidelines at the following website: <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/pfg/>.

(3) The number of effective full-time staff employed in primary mental health teams is determined by Health Services as the employer.

Mental health: mobile support and treatment services

637. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Community Services (for the Minister for Mental Health): With reference to Mobile Support and Treatment Services:

- (1) How much funding in the 2007-08 budget has been allocated to Mobile Support and Treatment Services.
- (2) How much money went to these services in the years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07.
- (3) How many staff (EFT) are currently employed in Mobile Support and Treatment Teams.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

(1 & 2)

Funding for mobile support and treatment services is provided to Area Mental Health Services. Information on mental health funding to services can be found in the Public Hospitals and Mental Health Services Policy and Funding Guidelines at the following website: <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/pfg/>.

(3) The number of effective full-time staff employed in mobile support and treatment services is determined by Health Services as the employer.

Mental health: continuing care teams

638. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Community Services (for the Minister for Mental Health): With reference to Continuing Care Teams:

- (1) How much funding in the 2007-08 budget is allocated to continuing care teams.
- (2) How much money went to these teams in the years 2003/4, 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07.
- (3) How many staff (EFT) are currently employed in continuing care teams.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

(1 & 2)

Funding for continuing care teams is provided to Area Mental Health Services. Information on mental health funding to services can be found in the Public Hospitals and Mental Health Services Policy and Funding Guidelines at the following website: <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/pfg/>.

- (3) The number of effective full-time staff employed in continuing care teams is determined by Health Services as the employer.

Mental health: secure extended care units

640. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Community Services (for the Minister for Mental Health): With reference to Secure Extended Care Units:

- (1) How much funding in the 2007-08 budget is allocated to secure extended care units.
- (2) How much funding went to secure extended care units in each of the years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07.
- (3) How many secure extended care units are operational in the state and where are they located.
- (4) What is the total number of operational beds at each secure extended care unit.
- (5) How many staff (EFT) are currently employed in each secure extended care unit.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

(1 & 2)

Funding for secure extended care units is provided to Area Mental Health Services. Information on mental health funding to services can be found in the Public Hospitals and Mental Health Services Policy and Funding Guidelines at the following website: <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/pfg/>.

- (3) The location of each secure extended care unit can be found on the mental health web site: <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/mentalhealth/services/adult/index.htm>.
- (4) The number of operational beds in secure extended care units are generally reported by health services in their annual reports.
- (5) The number of effective full-time staff employed in secure extended care units is determined by Health Services as the employer.

Corrections: drug and alcohol services — HM Prison Ararat

641. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Corrections) with reference to drug and alcohol services at Ararat Prison:

- (1) What specific services are available for prisoners with a drug or alcohol problem.
- (2) What state funding was allocated to drug and alcohol services in the financial years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06, 2006-07.

- (3) What funding from the 2007-08 budget has been allocated to drug and alcohol services.
- (4) What procedures are in place to screen new prisoners to see if they are in need of these services.
- (5) What procedures are in place to link prisoners with drug or alcohol problems to relevant treatment services upon their release.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

With reference to drug and alcohol services at Ararat Prison:

1. Drug and alcohol services include drug and alcohol treatment programs and the Opioid Substitution Treatment Therapy.
2. The collation of this information in the form requested represents an unreasonable diversion of Departmental resources.
3. I am advised approximately \$7 million has been allocated to drug and alcohol services across Victorian prisons in 2007/08.
4. All prisoners undergo a range of immediate assessments upon entering the system, including the identification of pharmacotherapy needs.
5. Offenders with drug and alcohol problems released on parole are referred to the Community Offenders' Advice and Treatment Service (COATS) by the Adult Parole Board for assessment and referral to appropriate services.

Corrections: drug and alcohol services — Beechworth Correctional Centre

642. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Corrections): With reference to drug and alcohol services at Beechworth Correctional Centre:

- (1) What specific services are available for prisoners with a drug or alcohol problem.
- (2) What state funding was allocated to drug and alcohol services in the financial years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06, 2006-07.
- (3) What funding from the 2007-08 budget has been allocated to drug and alcohol services.
- (4) What procedures are in place to screen new prisoners to see if they are in need of these services.
- (5) What procedures are in place to link prisoners with drug or alcohol problems to relevant treatment services upon their release.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

With reference to drug and alcohol services at Beechworth Correctional Centre:

1. Drug and alcohol services include drug and alcohol treatment programs and the Opioid Substitution Treatment Therapy.
2. The collation of this information in the form requested represents an unreasonable diversion of Departmental resources.
3. I am advised approximately \$7 million has been allocated to drug and alcohol services across Victorian prisons in 2007/08.

4. All prisoners undergo a range of immediate assessments upon entering the system, including the identification of pharmacotherapy needs.
5. Offenders with drug and alcohol problems released on parole are referred to the Community Offenders' Advice and Treatment Service (COATS) by the Adult Parole Board for assessment and referral to appropriate services.

Corrections: drug and alcohol services — Dame Phyllis Frost Centre

643. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Corrections): With reference to drug and alcohol services at Dame Phyllis Frost Centre:

- (1) What specific services are available for prisoners with a drug or alcohol problem.
- (2) What state funding was allocated to drug and alcohol services in the financial years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06, 2006-07.
- (3) What funding from the 2007-08 budget has been allocated to drug and alcohol services.
- (4) What procedures are in place to screen new prisoners to see if they are in need of these services.
- (5) What procedures are in place to link prisoners with drug or alcohol problems to relevant treatment services upon their release.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

With reference to drug and alcohol services at Dame Phyllis Frost Centre:

1. Drug and alcohol services include drug and alcohol treatment programs and the Opioid Substitution Treatment Therapy.
2. The collation of this information in the form requested represents an unreasonable diversion of Departmental resources.
3. I am advised approximately \$7 million has been allocated to drug and alcohol services across Victorian prisons in 2007/08.
4. All prisoners undergo a range of immediate assessments upon entering the system, including the identification of pharmacotherapy needs.
5. Offenders with drug and alcohol problems released on parole are referred to the Community Offenders' Advice and Treatment Service (COATS) by the Adult Parole Board for assessment and referral to appropriate services.

Corrections: drug and alcohol services — HM Prison Dhurringile

644. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Corrections): With reference to drug and alcohol services at Dhurringile Prison:

- (1) What specific services are available for prisoners with a drug or alcohol problem.
- (2) What state funding was allocated to drug and alcohol services in the financial years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06, 2006-07.
- (3) What funding from the 2007-08 budget has been allocated to drug and alcohol services.
- (4) What procedures are in place to screen new prisoners to see if they are in need of these services.
- (5) What procedures are in place to link prisoners with drug or alcohol problems to relevant treatment services upon their release.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

With reference to drug and alcohol services at Dhurringile Prison:

1. Drug and alcohol services include drug and alcohol treatment programs and the Opioid Substitution Treatment Therapy.
2. The collation of this information in the form requested represents an unreasonable diversion of Departmental resources.
3. I am advised approximately \$7 million has been allocated to drug and alcohol services across Victorian prisons in 2007/08.
4. All prisoners undergo a range of immediate assessments upon entering the system, including the identification of pharmacotherapy needs.
5. Offenders with drug and alcohol problems released on parole are referred to the Community Offenders' Advice and Treatment Service (COATS) by the Adult Parole Board for assessment and referral to appropriate services.

Corrections: drug and alcohol services — Fulham Correctional Centre

645. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Corrections): With reference to drug and alcohol services at Fulham Correctional Centre:

- (1) What specific services are available for prisoners with a drug or alcohol problem.
- (2) What state funding was allocated to drug and alcohol services in the financial years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06, 2006-07.
- (3) What funding from the 2007-08 budget has been allocated to drug and alcohol services.
- (4) What procedures are in place to screen new prisoners to see if they are in need of these services.
- (5) What procedures are in place to link prisoners with drug or alcohol problems to relevant treatment services upon their release.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

With reference to drug and alcohol services at Fulham Correctional Centre:

1. Drug and alcohol services include drug and alcohol treatment programs and the Opioid Substitution Treatment Therapy.
2. The collation of this information in the form requested represents an unreasonable diversion of Departmental resources.
3. I am advised approximately \$7 million has been allocated to drug and alcohol services across Victorian prisons in 2007/08.
4. All prisoners undergo a range of immediate assessments upon entering the system, including the identification of pharmacotherapy needs.
5. Offenders with drug and alcohol problems released on parole are referred to the Community Offenders' Advice and Treatment Service (COATS) by the Adult Parole Board for assessment and referral to appropriate services.

Corrections: drug and alcohol services — HM Prison Langi Kal Kal

646. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Corrections): With reference to drug and alcohol services at Langi Kal Kal Prison:

- (1) What specific services are available for prisoners with a drug or alcohol problem.
- (2) What state funding was allocated to drug and alcohol services in the financial years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06, 2006-07.
- (3) What funding from the 2007-08 budget has been allocated to drug and alcohol services.
- (4) What procedures are in place to screen new prisoners to see if they are in need of these services.
- (5) What procedures are in place to link prisoners with drug or alcohol problems to relevant treatment services upon their release.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

With reference to drug and alcohol services at Langi Kal Kal Prison:

1. Drug and alcohol services include drug and alcohol treatment programs and the Opioid Substitution Treatment Therapy.
2. The collation of this information in the form requested represents an unreasonable diversion of Departmental resources.
3. I am advised approximately \$7 million has been allocated to drug and alcohol services across Victorian prisons in 2007/08.
4. All prisoners undergo a range of immediate assessments upon entering the system, including the identification of pharmacotherapy needs.
5. Offenders with drug and alcohol problems released on parole are referred to the Community Offenders' Advice and Treatment Service (COATS) by the Adult Parole Board for assessment and referral to appropriate services.

Corrections: drug and alcohol services — HM Prison Loddon

647. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Corrections): With reference to drug and alcohol services at Loddon Prison:

- (1) What specific services are available for prisoners with a drug or alcohol problem.
- (2) What state funding was allocated to drug and alcohol services in the financial years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06, 2006-07.
- (3) What funding from the 2007-08 budget has been allocated to drug and alcohol services.
- (4) What procedures are in place to screen new prisoners to see if they are in need of these services.
- (5) What procedures are in place to link prisoners with drug or alcohol problems to relevant treatment services upon their release.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

With reference to drug and alcohol services at Loddon Prison:

1. Drug and alcohol services include drug and alcohol treatment programs and the Opioid Substitution Treatment Therapy.
2. The collation of this information in the form requested represents an unreasonable diversion of Departmental resources.
3. I am advised approximately \$7 million has been allocated to drug and alcohol services across Victorian prisons in 2007/08.
4. All prisoners undergo a range of immediate assessments upon entering the system, including the identification of pharmacotherapy needs.
5. Offenders with drug and alcohol problems released on parole are referred to the Community Offenders' Advice and Treatment Service (COATS) by the Adult Parole Board for assessment and referral to appropriate services.

Corrections: drug and alcohol services — Marngoneet Correctional Centre

648. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Corrections): With reference to drug and alcohol services at Marngoneet Correctional Centre:

- (1) What specific services are available for prisoners with a drug or alcohol problem.
- (2) What state funding was allocated to drug and alcohol services in the financial years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06, 2006-07.
- (3) What funding from the 2007-08 budget has been allocated to drug and alcohol services.
- (4) What procedures are in place to screen new prisoners to see if they are in need of these services.
- (5) What procedures are in place to link prisoners with drug or alcohol problems to relevant treatment services upon their release.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

With reference to drug and alcohol services at Marngoneet Correctional Centre:

1. Drug and alcohol services include drug and alcohol treatment programs and the Opioid Substitution Treatment Therapy.
2. The collation of this information in the form requested represents an unreasonable diversion of Departmental resources.
3. I am advised approximately \$7 million has been allocated to drug and alcohol services across Victorian prisons in 2007/08.
4. All prisoners undergo a range of immediate assessments upon entering the system, including the identification of pharmacotherapy needs.
5. Offenders with drug and alcohol problems released on parole are referred to the Community Offenders' Advice and Treatment Service (COATS) by the Adult Parole Board for assessment and referral to appropriate services.

Corrections: drug and alcohol services — HM Melbourne Assessment Prison

649. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Corrections): With reference to drug and alcohol services at Melbourne Assessment Prison:

- (1) What specific services are available for prisoners with a drug or alcohol problem.
- (2) What state funding was allocated to drug and alcohol services in the financial years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06, 2006-07.
- (3) What funding from the 2007-08 budget has been allocated to drug and alcohol services.
- (4) What procedures are in place to screen new prisoners to see if they are in need of these services.
- (5) What procedures are in place to link prisoners with drug or alcohol problems to relevant treatment services upon their release.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

With reference to drug and alcohol services at Melbourne Assessment Prison:

1. Drug and alcohol services include drug and alcohol treatment programs and the Opioid Substitution Treatment Therapy.
2. The collation of this information in the form requested represents an unreasonable diversion of Departmental resources.
3. I am advised approximately \$7 million has been allocated to drug and alcohol services across Victorian prisons in 2007/08.
4. All prisoners undergo a range of immediate assessments upon entering the system, including the identification of pharmacotherapy needs.
5. Offenders with drug and alcohol problems released on parole are referred to the Community Offenders' Advice and Treatment Service (COATS) by the Adult Parole Board for assessment and referral to appropriate services.

Corrections: drug and alcohol services — Melbourne Remand Centre

650. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Corrections): With reference to drug and alcohol services at Melbourne Remand Centre:

- (1) What specific services are available for prisoners with a drug or alcohol problem.
- (2) What state funding was allocated to drug and alcohol services in the financial years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06, 2006-07.
- (3) What funding from the 2007-08 budget has been allocated to drug and alcohol services.
- (4) What procedures are in place to screen new prisoners to see if they are in need of these services.
- (5) What procedures are in place to link prisoners with drug or alcohol problems to relevant treatment services upon their release.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

With reference to drug and alcohol services at Melbourne Remand Centre:

1. Drug and alcohol services include drug and alcohol treatment programs and the Opioid Substitution Treatment Therapy.
2. The collation of this information in the form requested represents an unreasonable diversion of Departmental resources.

3. I am advised approximately \$7 million has been allocated to drug and alcohol services across Victorian prisons in 2007/08.
4. All prisoners undergo a range of immediate assessments upon entering the system, including the identification of pharmacotherapy needs.
5. Offenders with drug and alcohol problems released on parole are referred to the Community Offenders' Advice and Treatment Service (COATS) by the Adult Parole Board for assessment and referral to appropriate services.

Corrections: drug and alcohol services — Port Phillip Prison

651. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Corrections): With reference to drug and alcohol services at Port Phillip Prison:

- (1) What specific services are available for prisoners with a drug or alcohol problem.
- (2) What state funding was allocated to drug and alcohol services in the financial years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06, 2006-07.
- (3) What funding from the 2007-08 budget has been allocated to drug and alcohol services.
- (4) What procedures are in place to screen new prisoners to see if they are in need of these services.
- (5) What procedures are in place to link prisoners with drug or alcohol problems to relevant treatment services upon their release.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

With reference to drug and alcohol services at Port Phillip Prison:

1. Drug and alcohol services include drug and alcohol treatment programs and the Opioid Substitution Treatment Therapy.
2. The collation of this information in the form requested represents an unreasonable diversion of Departmental resources.
3. I am advised approximately \$7 million has been allocated to drug and alcohol services across Victorian prisons in 2007/08.
4. All prisoners undergo a range of immediate assessments upon entering the system, including the identification of pharmacotherapy needs.
5. Offenders with drug and alcohol problems released on parole are referred to the Community Offenders' Advice and Treatment Service (COATS) by the Adult Parole Board for assessment and referral to appropriate services.

Corrections: drug and alcohol services — HM Prison Tarrengower

652. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Corrections): With reference to drug and alcohol services at Tarrengower:

- (1) What specific services are available for prisoners with a drug or alcohol problem.
- (2) What state funding was allocated to drug and alcohol services in the financial years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06, 2006-07.
- (3) What funding from the 2007-08 budget has been allocated to drug and alcohol services.
- (4) What procedures are in place to screen new prisoners to see if they are in need of these services.

- (5) What procedures are in place to link prisoners with drug or alcohol problems to relevant treatment services upon their release.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

With reference to drug and alcohol services at Tarrengower:

1. Drug and alcohol services include drug and alcohol treatment programs and the Opioid Substitution Treatment Therapy.
2. The collation of this information in the form requested represents an unreasonable diversion of Departmental resources.
3. I am advised approximately \$7 million has been allocated to drug and alcohol services across Victorian prisons in 2007/08.
4. All prisoners undergo a range of immediate assessments upon entering the system, including the identification of pharmacotherapy needs.
5. Offenders with drug and alcohol problems released on parole are referred to the Community Offenders' Advice and Treatment Service (COATS) by the Adult Parole Board for assessment and referral to appropriate services.

Corrections: mental health services — HM Prison Ararat

653. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Corrections): With reference to mental health services at Ararat Prison:

- (1) What specific services are available for prisoners with a mental illness.
- (2) What state funding was allocated to mental health services in the financial years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06, 2006-07.
- (3) What funding from the 2007-08 budget has been allocated to mental health services.
- (4) What procedures are in place to screen new prisoners for mental illness.
- (5) What procedures are in place to link prisoners with a mental illness to relevant treatment services upon their release.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

1. A range of generic practitioner and psychiatric nursing services are provided across the prison system.
2. The collation of this information in the form requested represents an unreasonable diversion of Departmental resources.
3. I am advised approximately \$7 million has been allocated to drug and alcohol services across Victorian prisons in 2007/08.
4. All prisoners undergo a range of immediate assessments upon entering the system, including a mental health assessment.
5. The prisoner Health Care Standards, which form part of the contract with health service providers, require preparation of a discharge plan which addresses preparation for transition back to the community.

Corrections: mental health services — Beechworth Correctional Centre

654. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Corrections): With reference to mental health services at Beechworth Correctional Centre:

- (1) What specific services are available for prisoners with a mental illness.
- (2) What state funding was allocated to mental health services in the financial years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06, 2006-07.
- (3) What funding from the 2007-08 budget has been allocated to mental health services.
- (4) What procedures are in place to screen new prisoners for mental illness.
- (5) What procedures are in place to link prisoners with a mental illness to relevant treatment services upon their release.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

1. A range of generic practitioner and psychiatric nursing services are provided across the prison system.
2. The collation of this information in the form requested represents an unreasonable diversion of Departmental resources.
3. I am advised approximately \$7 million has been allocated to drug and alcohol services across Victorian prisons in 2007/08.
4. All prisoners undergo a range of immediate assessments upon entering the system, including a mental health assessment.
5. The prisoner Health Care Standards, which form part of the contract with health service providers, require preparation of a discharge plan which addresses preparation for transition back to the community.

Corrections: mental health services — Dame Phyllis Frost Centre

655. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Corrections): With reference to mental health services at Dame Phyllis Frost Centre:

- (1) What specific services are available for prisoners with a mental illness.
- (2) What state funding was allocated to mental health services in the financial years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06, 2006-07.
- (3) What funding from the 2007-08 budget has been allocated to mental health services.
- (4) What procedures are in place to screen new prisoners for mental illness.
- (5) What procedures are in place to link prisoners with a mental illness to relevant treatment services upon their release.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

1. A range of generic practitioner and psychiatric nursing services are provided across the prison system.
2. The collation of this information in the form requested represents an unreasonable diversion of Departmental resources.
3. I am advised approximately \$7 million has been allocated to drug and alcohol services across Victorian prisons in 2007/08.

4. All prisoners undergo a range of immediate assessments upon entering the system, including a mental health assessment.
5. The prisoner Health Care Standards, which form part of the contract with health service providers, require preparation of a discharge plan which addresses preparation for transition back to the community.

Corrections: mental health services — HM Prison Dhurringile

656. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Corrections): With reference to mental health services at Dhurringile Prison:

- (1) What specific services are available for prisoners with a mental illness.
- (2) What state funding was allocated to mental health services in the financial years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06, 2006-07.
- (3) What funding from the 2007-08 budget has been allocated to mental health services.
- (4) What procedures are in place to screen new prisoners for mental illness.
- (5) What procedures are in place to link prisoners with a mental illness to relevant treatment services upon their release.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

1. A range of generic practitioner and psychiatric nursing services are provided across the prison system.
2. The collation of this information in the form requested represents an unreasonable diversion of Departmental resources.
3. I am advised approximately \$7 million has been allocated to drug and alcohol services across Victorian prisons in 2007/08.
4. All prisoners undergo a range of immediate assessments upon entering the system, including a mental health assessment.
5. The prisoner Health Care Standards, which form part of the contract with health service providers, require preparation of a discharge plan which addresses preparation for transition back to the community.

Corrections: mental health services — Fulham Correctional Centre

657. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Corrections): With reference to mental health services at Fulham Correctional Centre:

- (1) What specific services are available for prisoners with a mental illness.
- (2) What state funding was allocated to mental health services in the financial years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06, 2006-07.
- (3) What funding from the 2007-08 budget has been allocated to mental health services.
- (4) What procedures are in place to screen new prisoners for mental illness.
- (5) What procedures are in place to link prisoners with a mental illness to relevant treatment services upon their release.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

1. A range of generic practitioner and psychiatric nursing services are provided across the prison system.

2. The collation of this information in the form requested represents an unreasonable diversion of Departmental resources.
3. I am advised approximately \$7 million has been allocated to drug and alcohol services across Victorian prisons in 2007/08.
4. All prisoners undergo a range of immediate assessments upon entering the system, including a mental health assessment.
5. The prisoner Health Care Standards, which form part of the contract with health service providers, require preparation of a discharge plan which addresses preparation for transition back to the community.

Corrections: mental health services — HM Prison Langi Kal Kal

658. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Corrections): With reference to mental health services at Langi Kal Kal Prison:

- (1) What specific services are available for prisoners with a mental illness.
- (2) What state funding was allocated to mental health services in the financial years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06, 2006-07.
- (3) What funding from the 2007-08 budget has been allocated to mental health services.
- (4) What procedures are in place to screen new prisoners for mental illness.
- (5) What procedures are in place to link prisoners with a mental illness to relevant treatment services upon their release.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

1. A range of generic practitioner and psychiatric nursing services are provided across the prison system.
2. The collation of this information in the form requested represents an unreasonable diversion of Departmental resources.
3. I am advised approximately \$7 million has been allocated to drug and alcohol services across Victorian prisons in 2007/08.
4. All prisoners undergo a range of immediate assessments upon entering the system, including a mental health assessment.
5. The prisoner Health Care Standards, which form part of the contract with health service providers, require preparation of a discharge plan which addresses preparation for transition back to the community.

Corrections: mental health services — HM Prison Loddon

659. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Corrections): With reference to mental health services at Loddon Prison:

- (1) What specific services are available for prisoners with a mental illness.
- (2) What state funding was allocated to mental health services in the financial years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06, 2006-07.
- (3) What funding from the 2007-08 budget has been allocated to mental health services.
- (4) What procedures are in place to screen new prisoners for mental illness.

- (5) What procedures are in place to link prisoners with a mental illness to relevant treatment services upon their release.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

1. A range of generic practitioner and psychiatric nursing services are provided across the prison system.
2. The collation of this information in the form requested represents an unreasonable diversion of Departmental resources.
3. I am advised approximately \$7 million has been allocated to drug and alcohol services across Victorian prisons in 2007/08.
4. All prisoners undergo a range of immediate assessments upon entering the system, including a mental health assessment.
5. The prisoner Health Care Standards, which form part of the contract with health service providers, require preparation of a discharge plan which addresses preparation for transition back to the community.

Corrections: mental health services — Marngoneet Correctional Centre

660. **MR DALLA-RIVA** — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Corrections): With reference to mental health services at Marngoneet Correctional Centre:

- (1) What specific services are available for prisoners with a mental illness.
- (2) What state funding was allocated to mental health services in the financial years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06, 2006-07.
- (3) What funding from the 2007-08 budget has been allocated to mental health services.
- (4) What procedures are in place to screen new prisoners for mental illness.
- (5) What procedures are in place to link prisoners with a mental illness to relevant treatment services upon their release.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

1. A range of generic practitioner and psychiatric nursing services are provided across the prison system.
2. The collation of this information in the form requested represents an unreasonable diversion of Departmental resources.
3. I am advised approximately \$7 million has been allocated to drug and alcohol services across Victorian prisons in 2007/08.
4. All prisoners undergo a range of immediate assessments upon entering the system, including a mental health assessment.
5. The prisoner Health Care Standards, which form part of the contract with health service providers, require preparation of a discharge plan which addresses preparation for transition back to the community.

Corrections: mental health services — HM Melbourne Assessment Prison

661. **MR DALLA-RIVA** — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Corrections): With reference to mental health services at Melbourne Assessment Centre:

- (1) What specific services are available for prisoners with a mental illness.
- (2) What state funding was allocated to mental health services in the financial years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06, 2006-07.
- (3) What funding from the 2007-08 budget has been allocated to mental health services.
- (4) What procedures are in place to screen new prisoners for mental illness.
- (5) What procedures are in place to link prisoners with a mental illness to relevant treatment services upon their release.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

1. A range of generic practitioner and psychiatric nursing services are provided across the prison system.
2. The collation of this information in the form requested represents an unreasonable diversion of Departmental resources.
3. I am advised approximately \$7 million has been allocated to drug and alcohol services across Victorian prisons in 2007/08.
4. All prisoners undergo a range of immediate assessments upon entering the system, including a mental health assessment.
5. The prisoner Health Care Standards, which form part of the contract with health service providers, require preparation of a discharge plan which addresses preparation for transition back to the community.

Corrections: mental health services — Metropolitan Remand Centre

662. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Corrections): With reference to mental health services at Metropolitan Remand Centre:

- (1) What specific services are available for prisoners with a mental illness.
- (2) What state funding was allocated to mental health services in the financial years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06, 2006-07.
- (3) What funding from the 2007-08 budget has been allocated to mental health services.
- (4) What procedures are in place to screen new prisoners for mental illness.
- (5) What procedures are in place to link prisoners with a mental illness to relevant treatment services upon their release.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

1. A range of generic practitioner and psychiatric nursing services are provided across the prison system.
2. The collation of this information in the form requested represents an unreasonable diversion of Departmental resources.
3. I am advised approximately \$7 million has been allocated to drug and alcohol services across Victorian prisons in 2007/08.
4. All prisoners undergo a range of immediate assessments upon entering the system, including a mental health assessment.
5. The prisoner Health Care Standards, which form part of the contract with health service providers, require preparation of a discharge plan which addresses preparation for transition back to the community.

Corrections: mental health services — Port Phillip Prison

663. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Corrections): With reference to mental health services at Port Phillip Prison:

- (1) What specific services are available for prisoners with a mental illness.
- (2) What state funding was allocated to mental health services in the financial years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06, 2006-07.
- (3) What funding from the 2007-08 budget has been allocated to mental health services.
- (4) What procedures are in place to screen new prisoners for mental illness.
- (5) What procedures are in place to link prisoners with a mental illness to relevant treatment services upon their release.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

1. A range of generic practitioner and psychiatric nursing services are provided across the prison system.
2. The collation of this information in the form requested represents an unreasonable diversion of Departmental resources.
3. I am advised approximately \$7 million has been allocated to drug and alcohol services across Victorian prisons in 2007/08.
4. All prisoners undergo a range of immediate assessments upon entering the system, including a mental health assessment.
5. The prisoner Health Care Standards, which form part of the contract with health service providers, require preparation of a discharge plan which addresses preparation for transition back to the community.

Corrections: mental health services — HM Prison Tarrengower

664. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Corrections): With reference to mental health services at Tarrengower :

- (1) What specific services are available for prisoners with a mental illness.
- (2) What state funding was allocated to mental health services in the financial years 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06, 2006-07.
- (3) What funding from the 2007-08 budget has been allocated to mental health services.
- (4) What procedures are in place to screen new prisoners for mental illness.
- (5) What procedures are in place to link prisoners with a mental illness to relevant treatment services upon their release.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

1. A range of generic practitioner and psychiatric nursing services are provided across the prison system.
2. The collation of this information in the form requested represents an unreasonable diversion of Departmental resources.
3. I am advised approximately \$7 million has been allocated to drug and alcohol services across Victorian prisons in 2007/08.

4. All prisoners undergo a range of immediate assessments upon entering the system, including a mental health assessment.
5. The prisoner Health Care Standards, which form part of the contract with health service providers, require preparation of a discharge plan which addresses preparation for transition back to the community.

Mental health: treatments

720. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to mental health treatments:

- (1) How does the Government define a “mental health treatment” as it is referred to on p. 94 of Budget Paper 2, 2001-02.
- (2) How many mental health treatments were carried out in each of the financial years 2000-01 to 2006-07.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- (1) Mental Health Treatments referred to on p.94 of budget Paper 2, 2001-02 was defined as mental health service contacts in hospital emergency departments.
- (2) Service contact information can be found in the Your Hospitals report which can be found at: <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/yourhospitals/>

Mental health: beds

721. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to mental health beds: How many acute inpatient, psycho-geriatric and sub acute mental health beds were operational in Victoria in each of the financial years 2000-01 to 2006-07.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The numbers of operational acute inpatient, psychogeriatric and sub-acute mental health beds are generally reported by health services in their annual reports.

Mental health: workforce

722. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to Victoria’s public mental health workforce:

- (1) What qualifications are encompassed in the term “medical” workforce as discussed on p. 27 of “Victoria’s direct care mental health workers: The public mental health workforce study” released by the department in May 2005.
- (2) For each profession (eg. psychiatrist), what is the current medical workforce equivalent full-time (EFT) employed in Victoria’s public mental health system.
- (3) What is the number of unfilled positions (EFT) in the medical workforce by profession in Victoria’s public mental health workforce.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

(1-3) The term “medical workforce” as discussed in *Victoria’s direct care mental health workers: The public mental health workforce study*” released by the Department in May 2005 referred to psychiatrists, psychiatry registrars or trainees and other medical officers.

The number of effective full-time staff employed in each service within the public mental health system is determined by Health Services as the employer.

Mental health: workforce

723. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to Victoria’s public mental health workforce:

- (1) How many division 1 nurses equivalent full-time (EFT) are currently employed in Victoria’s public mental health system.
- (2) How many division 2 nurses (EFT) are currently employed in Victoria’s public mental health system.
- (3) How many division 3 nurses (EFT) are currently employed in Victoria’s public mental health system.
- (4) How many unfilled positions for division 1, division 2 and division 3 nurses are there (EFT) in Victoria’s public mental health system.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The number of effective full-time staff employed in each service within the public mental health system is determined by Health Services as the employer.

Mental health: workforce

724. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to Victoria’s public mental health workforce:

- (1) How many social workers equivalent full-time (EFT) are currently employed in Victoria’s public mental health system.
- (2) How many occupational therapists (EFT) are currently employed in Victoria’s public mental health system.
- (3) How many psychologists (EFT) are currently employed in Victoria’s public mental health system.
- (4) How many other allied health staff (EFT) are currently employed in Victoria’s public mental health system.
- (5) How many unfilled allied health staff positions (EFT) are there in Victoria’s public mental health system.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The number of effective full-time staff employed in each service within the public mental health system is determined by Health Services as the employer.

Corrections: intensive drug treatment

734. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Corrections): In relation to drug treatment in Victorian prisons:

- (1) How does the Government define ‘intensive drug treatment’ as outlined in a media release from the Premier’s office on 28 November 2000 entitled “Drugs: It’s our problem, lets fight it together”.
- (2) How many inmates of Victorian prisons were provided with intensive drug treatment before release in each of the financial years 1999-2000 to 2006-07.
- (3) How many inmates of Victorian prisons were able to access intensive drug treatment immediately following release in each of those years.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

With reference to intensive drug treatment in prisons —

Drug and alcohol treatment programs in prisons vary in content and intensity depending on the medical issues and behaviour in question.

Collation of information in the specific format sought by the Honourable member represents an unreasonable diversion of resources by Corrections Victoria.

Community services: aged care — low-care beds

760. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Community Services): In relation to new low care bed places in state-run residential aged care facilities:

- (1) What is the number of new low care bed places opened in state-run residential aged care facilities in each of the calendar years 2004 to 2007.
- (2) Which facilities received the new low care bed allocations.
- (3) How many new low care bed places did each of the above facilities receive.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

(1) (2) & (3)

- (a) 27 low care places were opened in 2004:
 - 10 low care - Glenview Community Nursing Home
 - 7 low care - Hesse Nursing Home
 - 10 low care - Heathcote Aged Care Services.
- (b) 14 low care places were opened in 2005:
 - 10 low care - Darlingford Upper Goulburn Nursing Home
 - 4 low care - Dunolly Nursing Home.
- (c) 20 low care places were opened in 2006:
 - 17 low care - Moyneyana House
 - 2 low care - Bindaree Retirement Village
 - 1 low care - Wannon Court Hostel.
- (d) To date 2 low care places have been opened in 2007:

- 2 low care - Waranga Aged Care Hostel.

Community services: aged care — high-care beds

761. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Community Services): In relation to high care bed places in state-run residential aged care facilities:

- (1) Which facilities were allocated new high care bed places in each of the calendar years 2004 to 2007.
- (2) How many new high care bed places did each of the above facilities receive.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- (1)& (2) 2004: - *Otway Health & Community Services* – 2 new flexible high care places
 (Commonwealth allocated)
- 2006: - *Irvin House Nursing Home* – 15 new high care places
 (Commonwealth allocated)
 Skipton Nursing Home - 7 high care places and
 Dimboola Nursing Home – 4 high care places
 (Transferred from non-operational public sector residential aged care places).
- 2007 to date: - 70 Lowe Street (*formerly John Pickford House*)
 5 high care places
 (Transferred from non-operational public sector residential aged care places).

Mental health: drug services — funding

787. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Mental Health): With reference to the 2007-08 Drug Services budget —

- (1) How much money from the drug services budget has been allocated to groups/programs which were previously funded through the Drug Rehabilitation and Research Fund (DRRF).
- (2) Which groups/programs which previously received funds from the DRRF will receive funds from the 2007-09 Drug Services Budget.
- (3) How much funding will each group/initiative receive.
- (4) For each group/initiative, which output (drug prevention and control or drug treatment and rehabilitation) will their funding be derived from.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

(1), (2), (3) and (4) - This information has been provided to members of parliament as part of the briefings process for the Drug Rehabilitation and Research Fund Legislative Reform in April 2007.

Mental health: Victorian alcohol action plan

789. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Mental Health): With Reference to the Victorian Alcohol Action Plan Taskforce —

- (1) How many times has the taskforce met.
- (2) On which dates has the taskforce met.

- (3) On which date is the next scheduled meeting.
- (4) When will a draft Victorian Action Plan be completed.
- (5) When is the planned release date of the Victorian Alcohol Action Plan.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

(1), (2), (3), (4) and (5) - The Victorian Alcohol Action Plan Taskforce has met as required since its establishment and will continue to meet as often as required to discharge its terms of reference.

Environment and climate change: bushfires — erosion

867. MRS PETROVICH — To ask the Minister for the Environment and Climate Change: Has an audit of erosion in South East Victoria been conducted since the 2007 fires.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The Department of Sustainability and Environment has made some initial assessments on erosion that has occurred since the 2006/07 fires in conjunction with the East and West Gippsland Catchment Management Authorities (CMAs).

The Report Gippsland Floods June 2007 – Report on Flood Impacts in Gippsland Rivers August 2007¹ provides estimates of erosion rates.

Environment and climate change: deer hunting

881. MRS COOTE — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change —

- (1) How many deer species are there in Victorian Parks.
- (2) How many deer are there in each of these species.
- (3) How many of these deer were in Victorian Parks in each of the years 2000 to 2006.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- (1) Four species of deer have been recorded in Victorian parks – sambar, fallow, red and hog deer. There are historical records and anecdotal reports of two other species in Victoria – rusa and chital deer.
- (2) Knowledge of the distribution, abundance and impact of deer has been limited in the past, however Parks Victoria and its partners have been involved in several projects to improve this information since 2005. These include:
 - A comprehensive staff survey involving nearly 400 parks and reserves undertaken for the State of the parks report found that deer were recorded in 29% of the assessed parks, mostly in eastern Victoria;
 - A collaborative project with the Australian Deer Association (ADA) in 2006 also sought park staff information about the presence and impact of deer in parks;
 - In 2007 Parks Victoria and DSE funded a research project with the Arthur Rylah Institute for Environmental Research (ARIER) to assess the distribution and impacts of deer across Victoria. This project, which includes co-operation with the ADA, is in its early stages;
 - In 2006 Parks Victoria commenced a monitoring program to determine the trends in abundance of deer species at several parks including the Alpine, Snowy, Kinglake, Burrowa Pine-Mountain, Yarra Ranges

and Mt. Buffalo national parks and Bunyip state park. The ADA has been supporting the project with volunteer support on the surveys;

- Parks Victoria is supporting two additional research projects assessing the diet and impacts of deer at the Grampian and Wilsons Promontory national parks
 - Parks Victoria supported a research project which modelled potential deer distribution in eastern Victoria.
- (3) It is not possible to determine the actual population of deer species in parks without massive resources. Parks Victoria and the Department of Sustainability and Environment have adopted a best practice monitoring method which measures trends in abundance rather than trying to estimate actual numbers. This is an agreed method used by the ARIER and Department of Conservation (DOC) in New Zealand.

Environment and climate change: national parks — weed control

892. MRS COOTE — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change: Does Parks Victoria have a dedicated management regime of data collection of weeds in Victoria’s National and State Parks.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Parks Victoria collects data on weeds through a range of sources. These include:

- collection of detailed data on weed control activities across all parks, entered into Parks Victoria’s Environmental information System;
- weed monitoring based on standardised pest plant monitoring protocols which have been developed and tested in a range of parks such as the Great Otway, Dandenong Ranges and Croajingalong national parks. These protocols, although relatively new, have created a great deal of interest from other State’s interested in ensuring that data on weeds is collected in a consistent and robust manner;
- weed mapping, most recently undertaken in 2005 for the majority of the parks network;
- a scientifically based adaptive experimental management project to assess the effectiveness and impact of English broom control in the Alpine NP;
- evaluation of the extent and impact of weeds undertaken as part of the recently published State of the Parks report.

Parks Victoria has also recognised that more can be done to ensure targeted and consistent data collection and analysis to determine trends in weeds. A new initiative, the Signs of Healthy Parks ecological monitoring program is currently being developed, which will include regular monitoring of weeds to detect changes in representative parks as well as the effectiveness of management programs.

Environment and climate change: national parks — pest animals

893. MRS COOTE — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change: Does Parks Victoria have a dedicated management regime of data collection of feral animals in Victoria’s National and State Parks.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Parks Victoria collects data on feral animals through a range of sources. These include:

- collection of detailed data on feral animal control activities across all parks through Parks Victoria’s Environmental Information System;
- Statewide risk assessments for foxes and rabbits, undertaken for Parks Victoria in 2003 by the Arthur Rylah Institute for Environmental Research;

- introduction of scientific feral animal monitoring programs based on standardised monitoring protocols which have developed and tested in at approximately twenty-five parks since 2003;
- evaluation of the presence, extent and impact of feral animals undertaken as part of the recently published State of the Parks report. This report, which assessed 399 parks and reserves, found that there were 45 introduced fauna species recorded, of which eight were of most concern: fox, rabbit, cat, deer, dog, goat, pig and horse.

Parks Victoria is currently developing a new initiative, the *Signs of Healthy Parks* ecological monitoring program, which will include scientific monitoring of feral animals at targeted and representative parks to detect changes in the abundance and impacts of feral animals.

Environment and climate change: national parks — management

895. MRS COOTE — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change: How much did Parks Victoria spend per head on park management in each of the years 2000 to 2006.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The information you are seeking is freely available in the public arena and can be found in the previous Parks Victoria annual reports. All previous Parks Victoria annual reports are available on the Parks Victoria Website www.parkweb.vic.gov.au.

The 2006/2007 annual report will be released in early November 2007 and will also be available on the Parks Victoria website.

Environment and climate change: national parks — pest animals

896. MRS COOTE — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change: Which parks in the Parks Victoria network are assessed for rabbits and foxes.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Parks Victoria has undertaken a number of assessments for rabbits and foxes across the parks system. These include:

- State wide rabbit and fox risks assessments were undertaken by the Arthur Rylah Institute for Environmental Research in 2002 which assessed the relative threats of foxes based on the likely risk to prey species, and the relative risk of rabbits based on susceptible vegetation types. These state wide risk assessments have objectively informed Parks Victoria which parks are the highest priority for control programs from a biodiversity perspective.
- The State of the Parks assessment, the most recent of which was undertaken in 2005, based on a comprehensive survey of park staff across all areas managed under the National Parks Act, metropolitan parks and a selection of conservation reserves (nearly 400 parks and reserves in total). The park staff assessed the presence, extent and impact of rabbits and foxes in each of the assessed parks. Both foxes and rabbits are widespread across Victoria with 89% of assessed parks recording the presence of foxes and 75% of assessed parks recording the presence of rabbits. These percentages did not necessarily reflect actual level of threat or impact that these species were having on park values.
- Detailed scientific monitoring of rabbits and foxes occurs in a number of parks. For example Parks Victoria initiated its Fox adaptive experimental management program in 2002, which is assessing both the effect of control programs on fox populations as well as the changes in populations of prey species. This program, which is continuing, has demonstrated that the control program can be significantly more

effective by modifying the timing of fox control. Fox bait take is monitored in all parks which have a fox baiting program.

- As part of the joint Department of Sustainability and Environment and Parks Victoria Southern Ark and Glenelg Ark predator control programs in East Gippsland and south-west Victoria, the impact of foxes and fox control is being scientifically monitored.
- Since 2004 Parks Victoria has been gradually introducing a standard scientific monitoring protocol for rabbits and foxes. The protocols have been tested in several parks and are now being widely used by park staff. Results from these monitoring programs will be used in future State of the Parks reporting.

Environment and climate change: national parks — pest animals

897. MRS COOTE — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change: Which parks in the Parks Victoria network are assessed for pigs and deer.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

As part of the recent State of the Parks report a comprehensive staff survey was undertaken to assess the distribution of pigs and deer across 399 parks and reserves. The report found that deer were present in 29% of the assessed parks (mostly eastern Victoria) and pigs were recorded in 10% of the assessed parks.

More detailed monitoring of trends in deer abundance is being undertaken in the Alpine, Burrowa Pine-Mountain, Mt Buffalo, Kinglake, Snowy River and Yarra Ranges national parks and Bunyip state park. Deer research projects are currently in progress in the Wilsons Promontory and Grampians national parks.

A standardised scientific monitoring protocol for pigs is currently being trialled.

Environment and climate change: national parks — pest animals

898. MRS COOTE — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change —

- (1) Which parks in the Parks Victoria network have been assessed as having an overabundant kangaroo population.
- (2) How is an ‘overabundant population’ identified.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Parks Victoria considers kangaroo populations as “overabundant” if the population is unsustainable due to:

- the population having a demonstrated detrimental impact on native vegetation or habitat; and/or
- there is a demonstrated impact on the welfare of the population, usually due to the availability of food resources.

Parks Victoria receives advice from its Kangaroo Technical Advisory Committee (KTAC), an external panel of experts in kangaroo management and welfare, in relation to kangaroo management strategies. Any proposal for population management programs must be based on good scientific information.

The major group of parks that Parks Victoria considers kangaroo populations as “overabundant” are in the mallee, including Hattah-Kulkyne, Wyperfeld and Murray-Sunset national parks. Population management programs have successfully reduced densities of kangaroos over the past decade and a recent review of vegetation monitoring programs has shown that the reduction of kangaroo densities, together with rabbit control, has significantly improved the condition of native vegetation in some of the mallee parks.

An emerging issue for Parks Victoria is the sustainable management of kangaroo populations in the urban fringe areas of Melbourne such as the Mornington Peninsula, and Plenty Gorge, north of Melbourne. Monitoring of kangaroo populations is continuing and vegetation is also being monitored to determine impacts. Parks Victoria is currently involved in an exciting national research project to assess the effectiveness of fertility control (contraceptive implants) as a technique to manage sustainable populations in these areas.

Parks Victoria has recently undertaken population management of kangaroos at Serendip Sanctuary in Werribee, based on advice from its Kangaroo Technical Advisory Committee. This program was implemented to address animal welfare concerns as the population had become unsustainable due to and lack of food and high densities.

Parks Victoria has also recently been involved in a community-wide project on the Mornington Peninsula to seek to resolve issues associated with the impacts of kangaroos on landholders.

Mental health: dual diagnosis services — funding

926. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to dual diagnosis services:

- (1) What services or initiatives were funded with the Government's 2002-03 budget commitment of \$.36 million for early intervention services for young people with mental illness and co-existing substance abuse.
- (2) How much funding did each service or initiative receive in each of the financial years 2002-03 to 2006-07.
- (3) Has an evaluation of these programs been carried out.
- (4) Has this funding, for each group, been ongoing.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

(1 & 2)

The 2002-03 budget commitment of \$.36 million for early intervention services for young people with mental illness and co-existing substance abuse was provided via the DHS designated Dual Diagnosis activity to St Vincent's Health, Southern Health, Eastern Health and Melbourne Health.

In relation to dual diagnosis services, comprehensive financial data at a detailed activity level is not available for the period requested.

(3) Yes.

(4) The funding has been ongoing.

Environment and climate change: coastal development — dog control

953. MR BARBER — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change:

- (1) Is the Government or Parks Victoria proposing to allow domestic dogs to be admitted to Point Cook Coastal Park and Cheltenham wetlands in conjunction with the planned extension of the coastal trail.
- (2) What assessment of the environmental impacts of this action has been carried out.
- (3) Does this action require approval from the Federal Government under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act.
- (4) What impact will the introduction of dogs have on fox baiting programs.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- 1) Parks Victoria is currently carrying out detailed design for the section of the Bay Trail from Skeleton Creek to ‘The Tower: a monument to migration and aspirations’ in Point Cook Coastal Park. Once complete, this vital link in the Bay Trail will provide a valuable recreational opportunity and access to Point Cook Coastal Park for local residents and visitors, some of whom will be accompanied by dogs on a lead. Part of the trail will be constructed along the far western boundary of Cheetham Wetlands, on the boundary shared by the Sanctuary Lakes residential development, and will provide an effective barrier to stray pets and other predators that could enter the wetlands from this boundary.
- 2) A detailed flora and fauna assessment was carried out as part of the options analysis. Detailed design work is now being completed for the trail.
- 3) Parks Victoria does not believe that the trail will require approval from the Federal Government under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act. A referral is being prepared in order to ensure that the trail is not a controlled action under the Act.
- 4) Dogs on lead on this section of the Bay Trail will have no impact on fox baiting programs in the park. The trail is being designed so animal predators are unable to leave the trail and enter Cheetham Wetlands. In doing so it is also providing an effective secondary barrier along the residential boundary with Sanctuary Lakes thus reducing the likelihood of stray domestic animals coming into contact with fox bait.

Community services: disability services — respite care

1068. MS HARTLAND — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Community Services): In relation to the Department of Human Services (DHS) North and West Region:

- (1) How many facility based respite beds are available to children and adults with a disability.
- (2) How many families are using and/or on the waiting list for facility-based respite care.
- (3) How many facility-based respite care beds for people with disabilities have been occupied for more than 4 weeks by people who are in fact permanent or longer term crisis care.
- (4) How many of the people currently occupying respite care beds have been in care for more than four weeks.
- (5) How many of the people currently in care and who have been in care for more than four weeks have been moved three or more times.
- (6) How does DHS respond to the individuals and families who cannot access respite care beds occupied by people who require permanent or long term temporary care.
- (7) What plans does the Government have for placing the individuals currently residing in facility based care and who require permanent or longer term crisis care.
- (8) Given that at least two respite houses have been redeveloped as longer term accommodation, does the Government have any plans to open more facility based respite centres in the Region as a response to unmet need.
- (9) Is there any plan for the Government to provide funding for staff support to Base Camp 3030, a community initiative in Wyndham where a house is being provided and refurbished by the Baptist church in conjunction with community and local Council.
- (10) What is the Government doing to address the severe shortage of long term accommodation options, especially for people who would not be able to live independently due to their high support needs.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The North and West Metropolitan Region (N&WMR) is allocated \$18 million in 2007-2008 for respite. The range of flexible respite options includes overnight care, facility based respite, community access programs, in home respite and weekend and school holiday care.

In addition, the region has recently developed a website to provide comprehensive, region wide information about respite options.

Respite support provision in the region is not based on local area catchments and carers have access to respite supports regardless of their residential location.

In 2007/08, \$3.2 million in respite growth funding has been provided statewide for an additional 350 episodes of respite that are flexible, responsive to individual needs and are based on individualised planning. The priority target group to receive this funding is children and young people who currently experience difficulty accessing respite. Regional growth funding of \$924,000 (102 episodes) will be allocated across the N&WMR in line with the priorities identified through a regional respite strategic planning process.

Regional representatives have met with the Werribee Baptist Church on a number of occasions to discuss Base Camp 3030 and the region has not received a funding proposal from them.

The Victorian Government is committed to developing a range of long term housing and support options through developments such as the Disability Housing Trust and the allocation of individual support packages to assist people to live in situations of their choice, refurbishment and replacement of existing houses to support those individuals who would not be able to live independently.

Planning: expert assistance program

1097. MR GUY — To ask the Minister for Planning: In relation to the first stream of funding under the Expert Assistance Program: How much was granted to the following city Councils—

- (a) Moonee Valley;
- (b) Darebin;
- (c) Moreland;
- (d) Casey;
- (e) Knox; and
- (f) Kingston.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The following six Councils will share in 1.3 million over the coming two years through the Expert Assistance Program:

- (a) Moonee Valley for Moonee Ponds Activity Centre;
- (b) Darebin for Preston Central Activity Centre;
- (c) Moreland for Coburg Activity Centre;
- (d) Knox for Knox Central; and
- (e) Yarra Ranges for Chirnside Park Activity Centre.

This will be in the form of advice from a panel of expert consultants established by the Department to assist in the finalisation and implementation of Council structure plans. The funds for each centre will depend on the scope of works to be undertaken over the life of the program.

Kingston has not been granted any funds through the program at this stage however there are opportunities for funding through the second stream of funding. Discussions have commenced with Council officers.

Planning: expert assistance program

1098. MR GUY — To ask the Minister for Planning: In relation to the first stream of funding under the Expert Assistance Program: What were the conditions of funding provided to the following City Councils—

- (a) Moonee Valley;
- (b) Darebin;
- (c) Moreland;
- (d) Casey;
- (e) Knox; and
- (f) Kingston.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Each Council nominated to be a targeted centre under the Expert Assistance Program. Nominated Activity Centres were assessed against a range of evaluation criteria. The criteria related to economic viability, development capacity and strong Council commitment to implementing its structure plan.

Funding agreements with each of the Councils are currently being finalised through a Memorandum of Understanding.

Kingston has not been nominated for this stream of funding.

Environment and climate change: piers and jetties

1100. MRS COOTE — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change: What were the proceeds from sale of jetties and piers in Victoria in each financial year from 2002-03 to 2006-07.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

There were no piers and jetties managed under the Local Ports program sold in the period 2002/03 to 2006/07.

Other piers and jetties may be managed by the Commonwealth, Local Government and private owners, including marina operators. No details on the sale of these is available.

Environment and climate change: piers and jetties

1101. MRS COOTE — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change: How many piers and jetties were under State Government control in Victoria in each financial year from 2002-03 to 2006-07.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Piers and jetties in Victoria that are owned by the State are managed under delegation by Committees of Management, and are usually designated as local ports.

The number of piers and jetties over the period 2002-03 to 2006-07 has remained essentially the same at approximately 170, although some of those have been replaced during that period.

There are other piers and jetties in Victoria that are managed by the Commonwealth Government, Local Government and private owners including marina operators.

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Thursday, 6 December 2007

Attorney-General: Parliamentary Secretary for Justice

- 805. MR D. M. DAVIS** — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Attorney-General): Between 25 November 2006 and 2 August, 2007, what support was provided for Ms Jenny Mikakos, MLC and at what cost, in her capacity as Parliamentary Secretary for Justice for—
- (a) telephone and other communication support;
 - (b) car hire and rental car access including dates, destination and purpose;
 - (c) air flights, where to, on what date and how much did each flight cost;
 - (d) meal and entertainment costs;
 - (e) staff assisting him, their effective full time number and cost to the department; and
 - (f) any other support or reimbursement provided including details of the nature and cost of the support or reimbursement.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The Parliamentary Secretary for Justice occupies office space within the Office of the Attorney-General and is supported by the Office of the Attorney-General. Therefore, no budget is specifically allocated to the Parliamentary Secretary.

Therefore, expenses can only be identified where they have been processed using the separate cost centre code in the Department's Oracle financial management system or where Ms Mikakos was recorded as a claimant.

The search of Oracle using these parameters showed that petty cash expenses totalling \$11.92 were incurred and paid for by the Department.

Community development: Parliamentary Secretary for Victorian Communities

- 808. MR D. M. DAVIS** — To ask the Minister for Planning (for Minister for Community Development): Between 25 November 2006 and 2 August, 2007, what support was provided for Ms Lily D'Ambrosio, MP and at what cost, in her capacity as Parliamentary Secretary for Victorian Communities for —
- (a) telephone and other communication support;
 - (b) car hire and rental car access including dates, destination and purpose;
 - (c) air flights, where to, on what date and how much did each flight cost;
 - (d) meal and entertainment costs;
 - (e) staff assisting him, their effective full time number and cost to the department; and
 - (f) any other support or reimbursement provided including details of the nature and cost of the support or reimbursement.

ANSWER:

As at the day the Question was raised, the answer is:

The following support has been provided to the Parliamentary Secretary:

Accommodation and meal costs were incurred to the value of \$126.40. These costs relate to attendance at an *In The Community* forum at Warracknabeal run by the former Department for Victorian Communities.

Departmental staff have supported the Parliamentary Secretary when undertaking her duties in visiting sites where programs are funded by the Department or where I have delegated her specific portfolio responsibilities.

To enable Ms D'Ambrosio to carry out her duties as Parliamentary Secretary she has use of a desktop computer and printer. The costs associated with this equipment are met by the Minister's Office.

Mental health: bed waiting times

1103. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to waiting times for mental health beds in each financial year from 2003–04 to 2006–07: What are the specific figures for each public hospital in the State regarding the percentage of emergency patients admitted to a mental health bed within —

- (a) 4 hours;
- (b) 8 hours;
- (c) 12 hours and
- (d) 24 hours.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Information on hospital admissions from emergency departments is reported in the *Your Hospitals* report which can be found at: <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/yourhospitals/>

Mental health: dual diagnosis services — funding

1133. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to dual diagnosis services:

- (1) What services or initiatives were funded with the Government's 2002-03 budget commitment of \$36 million for early intervention services for young people with mental illness and co-existing substance abuse.
- (2) How much funding did each service or initiative receive in each of the financial years 2002-03 to 2006-07.
- (3) Has an evaluation of these programs been carried out.
- (4) Has this funding, for each group, been ongoing.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

(1) – (4)

Dual Diagnosis funding is provided recurrently to the relevant Area Mental Health Services.

Information on mental health funding to services can be found in the *Public Hospitals and Mental Health Services Policy and Funding Guidelines* at the following website: <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/pfg/>.

Information on current and previous years' state budgets can be found at:
<http://www.dhs.vic.gov.au/budget/index.htm>

An evaluation of the dual diagnosis initiative was carried out in 2003.

Mental health: early intervention services — funding

1139. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to early intervention services:

- (1) How much funding went to early intervention mental health services and initiatives in each of the financial years 2000-01 to 2005-06.
- (2) What is the name and location of each service or initiative to receive funding.
- (3) How much funding did each service or initiative receive.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

(1-3) Names and locations of services can be found on the mental health web site:
<http://www.health.vic.gov.au/mentalhealth/services/index.htm>

Information on mental health funding to services can be found in the *Public Hospitals and Mental Health Services Policy and Funding Guidelines* at the following website: <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/pfg/>.

Mental health: early psychosis programs — funding

1140. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to early psychosis programs for young people:

- (1) How much funding in the 2003-04 Budget was for such programs.
- (2) How much of this funding was allocated in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (3) How much of this money was expended in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (4) How many separate services were funded with these moneys.
- (5) Was any funding allocated for additional staffing; if so, how many extra staff (FTE) were employed and for what timeframe.
- (6) What is the name and location of each service/initiative funded, and how much did each service receive in each of the above years.
- (7) Was there any new funding for such programs; if so, how much, in the 2004-05 and 2005-06 Budgets.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

(1-7) Information on current and previous years' state budgets can be found at:
<http://www.dhs.vic.gov.au/budget/index.htm>

Names and locations of services can be found on the mental health web site:
<http://www.health.vic.gov.au/mentalhealth/services/index.htm>

Information on mental health funding to services can be found in the *Public Hospitals and Mental Health Services Policy and Funding Guidelines* at the following website: <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/pfg/>.

The number of effective full-time staff employed is determined by Health Services or agencies as the employer.

Mental health: conduct disorder programs

1141. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to conduct disorder programs for children:

- (1) How much funding in the 2003-04 Budget was for such programs.
- (2) How much of this funding was allocated in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (3) How much of this money was expended in each of the years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (4) How many separate services were funded with these moneys.
- (5) Was any funding allocated for additional staffing; if so, how many extra staff (FTE) were employed and for what timeframe .
- (6) What is the name and location of each service/initiative funded, and how much did each service receive in each of the above years.
- (7) Was there any new funding for such programs; if so, how much, in the 2004-05 and 2005-06 Budgets.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

(1-7) Information on current and previous years' state budgets can be found at:
<http://www.dhs.vic.gov.au/budget/index.htm>

Names and locations of services can be found on the mental health web site:
<http://www.health.vic.gov.au/mentalhealth/services/index.htm>

Information on mental health funding to services can be found in the *Public Hospitals and Mental Health Services Policy and Funding Guidelines* at the following website: <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/pfg/>.

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Mental health: dual diagnosis services — funding

1142. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to youth dual diagnosis services:

- (1) How much funding from the 2003-04 Budget was for such services.
- (2) How much of this funding was allocated in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (3) How much of this money was expended in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (4) How many extra positions were funded in each of the above years.
- (5) Was there any new funding for youth dual diagnosis services; if so, how much, in each of the 2004-05 to 2007-08 Budgets.

ANSWER:

(1-5) Information on current and previous years' state budgets can be found at:
<http://www.dhs.vic.gov.au/budget/index.htm>

Names and locations of services can be found on the mental health web site:
<http://www.health.vic.gov.au/mentalhealth/services/index.htm>

Information on mental health funding to services can be found in the *Public Hospitals and Mental Health Services Policy and Funding Guidelines* at the following website: <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/pfg/>.

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Mental health: women’s services — funding

1143. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to mental health services for women:

- (1) How much funding in the 2003-04 Budget was for consultation and liaison services to treat mothers who have recently given birth.
- (2) How much of this funding was allocated in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (3) How much of this money was expended in each of the financial years 2003-04 to 2006-07.
- (4) How many separate services were funded with these moneys.
- (5) Was any funding allocated for additional staffing; if so, how many extra staff (FTE) were employed and for what timeframe.
- (6) What is the name and location of each service/initiative funded, and how much did each service receive in each of the above years.
- (7) Was there any new funding for postnatal depression services for women; if so, how much, in the 2004-05 and 2005-06 Budgets.

ANSWER:

(1-7) Information on current and previous years’ state budgets can be found at:
<http://www.dhs.vic.gov.au/budget/index.htm>

Names and locations of services can be found on the mental health web site:
<http://www.health.vic.gov.au/mentalhealth/services/index.htm>

Information on mental health funding to services can be found in the *Public Hospitals and Mental Health Services Policy and Funding Guidelines* at the following website: <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/pfg/>.

The number of effective full-time staff employed is determined by Health Services or agencies as the employer.

Mental health: post-natal depression services — funding

1144. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to post-natal depression services:

- (1) How much new funding in the 2006-07 Budget was for such services.
- (2) How much of this funding was allocated in each of the financial years 2006-07 to 2009-10.
- (3) How much of this money was expended in 2006-07.
- (4) How many separate services were funded with these moneys.
- (5) Was any funding allocated for additional staffing; if so how many extra staff (FTE) were employed and for what timeframe.
- (6) What is the name and location of each service/initiative funded, and how much did each service receive in 2006-07.

- (7) Is there new money contained in the 2007-08 Budget for such services; if so, how much.

ANSWER:

(1-7) Information on current and previous years' state budgets can be found at:

<http://www.dhs.vic.gov.au/budget/index.htm>

Names and locations of services can be found on the mental health web site:

<http://www.health.vic.gov.au/mentalhealth/services/index.htm>

Information on mental health funding to services can be found in the *Public Hospitals and Mental Health Services Policy and Funding Guidelines* at the following website: <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/pfg/>.

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Mental health: family support services — funding

1145. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to support services for families where a parent has a mental illness:

- (1) How much new funding in the 2006-07 Budget was for such services.
- (2) How much of this funding was allocated in each of the financial years 2006-07 to 2009-10.
- (3) How much of this money was expended in 2006-07.
- (4) How many separate services were funded with these moneys.
- (5) Was any funding allocated for additional staffing; if so, how many extra staff (FTE) were employed and for what timeframe.
- (6) What is the name and location of each service/initiative funded, and how much did each service receive in 2006-07.
- (7) Is there new money contained in the 2007-08 Budget for such services; if so, how much.

ANSWER:

(1-7) Information on current and previous years' state budgets can be found at:

<http://www.dhs.vic.gov.au/budget/index.htm>

Names and locations of services can be found on the mental health web site:

<http://www.health.vic.gov.au/mentalhealth/services/index.htm>

Information on mental health funding to services can be found in the *Public Hospitals and Mental Health Services Policy and Funding Guidelines* at the following website: <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/pfg/>.

The number of effective full-time staff employed is determined by Health Services or agencies as the employer.

Mental health: Centre for Women's Mental Health — funding

1146. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to funding for the Centre for Women's Mental Health at the Royal Women's Hospital:

- (1) How much funding from the 2006-07 Budget went to this Centre.
- (2) How much of this funding was allocated in each of the financial years 2006-07 to 2009-10.
- (3) How much of this money was expended in 2006-07.

- (4) On what date was the phone based consultation service launched.
- (5) How many staff are employed in this service.
- (6) How much funding did the phone based consultation service receive in 2006-07.

ANSWER:

(1-6) Information on current and previous years' state budgets can be found at:
<http://www.dhs.vic.gov.au/budget/index.htm>

Names and locations of services can be found on the mental health web site:
<http://www.health.vic.gov.au/mentalhealth/services/index.htm>

Information on mental health funding to services can be found in the *Public Hospitals and Mental Health Services Policy and Funding Guidelines* at the following website: <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/pfg/>.

The number of effective full-time staff employed is determined by Health Services or agencies as the employer.

Mental health: early psychosis services — funding

1147. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to early psychosis services for young people funded in 2006-07:

- (1) How much new funding in the 2006-07 Budget was for early psychosis programs.
- (2) How much of this funding was allocated in each of the years 2006-07 to 2009-10.
- (3) How much of this money was expended in 2006-07.
- (4) How many separate services were funded with these moneys.
- (5) Was any funding allocated for additional staffing; if so, how many extra staff (FTE) were employed and for what timeframe.
- (6) What is the name and location of each service/initiative funded, and how much did each service receive in 2006-07.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

(1-6) Information on current and previous years' state budgets can be found at:
<http://www.dhs.vic.gov.au/budget/index.htm>

Names and locations of services can be found on the mental health web site:
<http://www.health.vic.gov.au/mentalhealth/services/index.htm>

Information on mental health funding to services can be found in the *Public Hospitals and Mental Health Services Policy and Funding Guidelines* at the following website: <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/pfg/>.

The number of effective full-time staff employed is determined by Health Services or agencies as the employer.

Mental health: conduct disorder programs — funding

1148. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to conduct disorder programs for children funded in 2006-07:

- (1) How much new funding in the 2006-07 Budget was for such programs.
- (2) How much of this funding was allocated in each of the years 2006-07 to 2009-10.

- (3) How much of this money was expended in 2006-07.
- (4) How many separate services were funded with these moneys.
- (5) Was any funding allocated for additional staffing; if so how many extra staff (FTE) were employed and for what timeframe.
- (6) What is the name and location of each service/initiative funded, and how much did each service receive in 2006-07.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

(1-6) Information on current and previous years' state budgets can be found at:

<http://www.dhs.vic.gov.au/budget/index.htm>

Names and locations of services can be found on the mental health web site:

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Mental health: counselling services — funding

1149. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Mental Health: In relation to counselling services at community health centres funded in 2006-07:

- (1) How much of this money had already been allocated and/or announced prior to 1 February 2006.
- (2) How much had been spent prior to 1 February 2006.
- (3) How much was announced as part of the 2007-08 Budget.
- (4) How much has been spent to date.
- (5) How many separate services were funded with these moneys and on what dates were funding agreements signed by the Department of Human Services.
- (6) What is the name and location of each service and how much has each separate service received to date.
- (7) Was any funding allocated to additional staffing; if so, how many extra staff (FTE) were employed and for what timeframe.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

(1-7) Information on current and previous years' state budgets can be found at:

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Mental health: early psychosis programs — funding

1150. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to the \$16.9 million announced as part of the National Action Plan on Mental Health to fund early psychosis programs for young people:

- (1) How much of this money had already been allocated and/or announced prior to 1 February 2006.
- (2) How much had been spent prior to 1 February 2006.
- (3) How much was announced as part of the 2007-08 Budget.
- (4) How much has been spent to date.
- (5) How many separate services were funded with these moneys and on what dates were funding agreements signed by the Department of Human Services.
- (6) What is the name and location of each service and how much has each separate service received to date.
- (7) Was any funding allocated to additional staffing; if so, how many extra staff (FTE) were employed and for what timeframe.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

(1-7) Information on current and previous years' state budgets can be found at:

<http://www.dhs.vic.gov.au/budget/index.htm>

Names and locations of services can be found on the mental health web site:

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Mental health: conduct disorder programs — funding

1151. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to the \$8.4 million announced as part of the National Action Plan on Mental Health to fund conduct disorder programs:

- (1) How much of this money had already been allocated and/or announced prior to 1 February 2006.
- (2) How much had been spent prior to 1 February 2006.
- (3) How much was announced as part of the 2007-08 Budget.
- (4) How much has been spent to date.
- (5) How many separate services were funded with these moneys and on what dates were funding agreements signed by the Department of Human Services.
- (6) What is the name and location of each service and how much has each separate service received to date.
- (7) Was any funding allocated to additional staffing; if so, how many extra staff (FTE) were employed and for what timeframe.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

(1-7) Information on current and previous years' state budgets can be found at:
<http://www.dhs.vic.gov.au/budget/index.htm>

Names and locations of services can be found on the mental health web site:
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Mental health: family support services — funding

1152. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to the \$2.4 million announced as part of the National Action Plan on Mental Health to fund support for children of parents with a mental illness:

- (1) How much of this money had already been allocated and/or announced prior to 1 February 2006.
- (2) How much had been spent prior to 1 February 2006.
- (3) How much was announced as part of the 2007-08 Budget.
- (4) How much has been spent to date.
- (5) How many separate services were funded with these moneys and on what dates were funding agreements signed by the Department of Human Services.
- (6) What is the name and location of each service and how much has each separate service received to date.
- (7) Was any funding allocated to additional staffing; if so, how many extra staff (FTE) were employed and for what timeframe.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

(1-7) Information on current and previous years' state budgets can be found at:
<http://www.dhs.vic.gov.au/budget/index.htm>

Names and locations of services can be found on the mental health web site:
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Mental health: post-natal depression support services — funding

1153. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to the \$4.9 million announced as part of the National Action Plan on Mental Health to fund post-natal depression support services:

- (1) How much of this money had already been allocated and/or announced prior to 1 February 2006.
- (2) How much had been spent prior to 1 February 2006.
- (3) How much was announced as part of the 2007-08 Budget.

- (4) How much has been spent to date.
- (5) How many separate services were funded with these moneys and on what dates were funding agreements signed by the Department of Human Services.
- (6) What is the name and location of each service and how much has each separate service received to date.
- (7) Was any funding allocated to additional staffing; if so, how many extra staff (FTE) were employed and for what timeframe.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

(1-7) Information on current and previous years' state budgets can be found at:
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Names and locations of services can be found on the mental health web site:
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Mental health: Centre for Women's Mental Health — funding

1154. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to the \$1.1 million announced as part of the National Action Plan on Mental Health to fund the new Centre for Women's Mental Health:

- (1) How much of this money had already been allocated and/or announced prior to 1 February 2006.
- (2) How much had been spent prior to 1 February 2006.
- (3) How much was announced as part of the 2007-08 Budget.
- (4) How much has been spent to date.
- (5) On what date was the funding agreement signed by the Department of Human Services.
- (6) Was any funding allocated to additional staffing; if so, how many extra staff (FTE) were employed and for what timeframe.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

(1-6) Information on current and previous years' state budgets can be found at:
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Names and locations of services can be found on the mental health web site:
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Mental health: primary prevention and promotion programs — funding

1155. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to the \$36 million announced as part of the National Action Plan on Mental Health to fund primary prevention and promotion programs:

- (1) How much of this money had already been allocated and/or announced prior to 1 February 2006.
- (2) How much had been spent prior to 1 February 2006.
- (3) How much was announced as part of the 2007-08 Budget.
- (4) How much has been spent to date.
- (5) How many separate services were funded with these moneys and on what dates were funding agreements signed by the Department of Human Services.
- (6) What is the name and location of each service and how much has each separate service received to date.
- (7) Was any funding allocated to additional staffing; if so, how many extra staff (FTE) were employed and for what timeframe.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

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Names and locations of services can be found on the mental health web site:
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Mental health: counselling services — funding

1156. MR DALLA-RIVA — To ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change (for the Minister for Mental Health): In relation to the \$2.6 million announced as part of the National Action Plan on Mental Health to fund extra counselling in community health services:

- (1) How much of this money had already been allocated and/or announced prior to 1 February 2006.
- (2) How much had been spent prior to 1 February 2006.
- (3) How much was announced as part of the 2007-08 Budget.
- (4) How much has been spent to date.
- (5) How many separate services were funded with these moneys and on what dates were funding agreements signed by the Department of Human Services.
- (6) What is the name and location of each service and how much has each separate service received to date.
- (7) Was any funding allocated to additional staffing; if so, how many extra staff (FTE) were employed and for what timeframe.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

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Names and locations of services can be found on the mental health web site:
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