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Tuesday, 2 September 2014

Community services: child protection

10 108. MS MIKAKOS — To ask the Minister for Housing (for the Minister for Community Services): In relation to carers:

- (1) How many foster carers received financial reimbursement from the Department of Human Services in —
 - (a) 2010–11;
 - (b) 2011–12; and
 - (c) 2012–13.
- (2) How many kinship carers received financial reimbursement from the Department of Human Services in —
 - (a) 2010–11;
 - (b) 2011–12; and
 - (c) 2012–13.

ANSWER:

I am informed that: The number of foster carers who received financial reimbursement (known as carer reimbursement) from the Department of Human Services is —

- (a) 1888;
- (b) 1856; and
- (c) 1907.

The number of kinship carers who received financial reimbursement (known as carer reimbursement) from the Department of Human Services is —

- (a) 2872;
- (b) 3153; and
- (c) 3395.

Community services: Malmesbury Youth Justice Centre

10 122. MS MIKAKOS — To ask the Minister for Housing (for the Minister for Community Services): In relation to reports of gangs of youths in Malmesbury Youth Justice Centre, what knowledge does the department possess in relation to the organisation, growth or membership of gangs of organised youths.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

It is not clear what the member for Northern Metropolitan is referring to when she mentions ‘reports of gangs of youths in Malmesbury Youth Justice Centre’.

Health: Eastern Centre Against Sexual Assault

10 456. MS HARTLAND — To ask the Minister for Health: In relation to the Eastern Centre Against Sexual Assault (ECASA) at Maroondah Hospital and the Eastern Health decision to locate the new Psychiatric Assessment and Planning Unit (PAPU) on the ECASA site:

- (1) Will ECASA services continue to be provided at Maroondah Hospital, or will women have to travel to Monash Medical Centre or the Austin.
- (2) Does the government expect that ECASA services will be disrupted during the construction of the PAPU facility.
- (3) If ECASA services will continue to be provided at Maroondah Hospital, will the new location be suitable to ensure no further disruption in the foreseeable future.
- (4) Will the relocated ECASA facility be the same size as the current facility, and if not, please provide further details.
- (5) Can the government guarantee no reduction in ECASA services as a result of any relocation.
- (6) Will survivors of sexual assault in the East be disadvantaged by these changes.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Eastern Health operates Eastern Centre Against Sexual Assault — Crisis Care (ECASA CCU) and ECASA Counselling Services from two locations within the Maroondah Hospital precinct. While the Maroondah Hospital Psychiatric Assessment and Planning Unit (PAPU) is still in the planning stage, the intention is to co-locate the ECASA CCU service and the PAPU next to the Maroondah Hospital Emergency Department in order to provide the maximum benefit to patients and clients of both these services. In relation to the specific questions:

- (1) ECASA Crisis Care (CCU) services will continue to operate from a temporary location within the Maroondah Hospital precinct while the new PAPU/ECASA CCU building is being constructed.
- (2) Services will continue to operate during the construction of the PAPU facility. No disruption to service provision is expected.
- (3) The intention is to co-locate the ECASA CCU service and the PAPU next to the Maroondah Hospital Emergency Department in order to provide the maximum benefit to patients and clients of both these services. No disruption to service provision is expected.
- (4) The relocated ECASA will focus on delivering primarily crisis care intervention rather than counselling services. While the new unit is likely to be smaller than the current facility mainly due to waiting room space reduction, the clinical facilities are essentially comparable and will not diminish the ability to treat the anticipated case volume. Counselling services will be maintained within the Maroondah Hospital precinct.
- (5) There will be no reduction in ECASA CCU service provision as a result of this development.
- (6) Survivors of sexual assault in the East will not be disadvantaged by these changes. Both the PAPU and ECASA CCU will continue to operate in their new location next to the Maroondah Hospital Emergency Department into the future following the PAPU development in order to provide the best possible psychiatric assessment and sexual assault crisis care for people in the east.

Health: community health services enterprise bargaining

10 468. MS HARTLAND — To ask the Minister for Health: In relation to the community health services enterprise bargaining agreement (EBA) covering physiotherapists, occupational therapists, speech pathologists, podiatrists and exercise physiologists working in community health, which expired in 2011:

- (1) When will the new EBA be resolved.
- (2) Will remuneration of professionals covered by this agreement match other health professionals who work in community health, such as dieticians who are covered by the Medical Scientists Association of Victoria Agreement.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- (1) The new EBA will be resolved as soon as the negotiating parties reach an agreement, whether directly or with the assistance of the Fair Work Commission. Either of the parties, being the Victorian Health Professionals' Association (a branch of the Health Services Union) and the Victorian Hospitals' Industrial Association as the nominated bargaining representatives of employees and employers respectively, is able to request tribunal assistance by filing an application under section 240 of the Fair Work Act 2009. A similar process was utilised to resolve other EBA disputes affecting various groups of health professionals in Victoria.
- (2) Remuneration outcomes under any new EBA are a matter for agreement between the parties concerned. Stand-alone community health centres, as locally controlled autonomous employers, are able to conclude agreements with employee bargaining representatives that suit their own sector's circumstances. Those outcomes would of course have due regard for the need to attract and retain high quality staff. It is understood that employer representatives recently proposed settlement terms that involve matching the public hospital sector pay outcomes for counterpart classifications, but unfortunately this was rejected by employee bargaining representatives.

Community services: respite beds

10 469. MS MIKAKOS — To ask the Minister for Housing (for the Minister for Community Services): With regard to disability services in Victoria:

- (1) How many child respite beds are there across the state.
- (2) How many adult respite beds are there across the state.
- (3) Of the total number of children's respite beds, how many are occupied by —
 - (a) ongoing placement clients;
 - (b) short-term placement clients.
- (4) Of the total number of adult respite beds, how many are occupied by —
 - (a) ongoing placement clients;
 - (b) short-term placement clients.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

There are approximately 430 respite beds for disability service clients across the state.

No respite beds are occupied by ongoing placement of disability services clients.

All disability services respite beds are provided for short-term placement clients. Disability services respite provides short-term stays that can involve overnight and multiple night stays.

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Wednesday, 3 September 2014

Community services: child protection

10 065. MS MIKAKOS — To ask the Minister for Housing (for the Minister for Community Services): In relation to the line item in the 2012–13 state budget ‘Child Protection — Principal Practitioners’ of \$2 million over four years:

- (1) How much of the funding was expended in the 2012–13 financial year.
- (2) How many additional full-time equivalent (FTE) child protection practitioners were employed in 2012–13 as a direct result of the funds and in what locations were the additional workers employed.
- (3) How much of the funding will be expended in the 2013–14 financial year.
- (4) How many additional FTE child protection practitioners will be employed in 2013–14 as a direct result of the funds and in what locations will the additional workers be employed.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- (1) The allocated budget of \$485 310 was fully expended in 2012–13.
- (2) The budget outcome provided ongoing funding for two statewide principal practitioner positions previously funded on a fixed term basis. Both positions are located in the central office of my department.
- (3) As the financial year is not yet completed, funding is unable to be provided.
- (4) Refer to response (2) above.

Community services: child protection

10 068. MS MIKAKOS — To ask the Minister for Housing (for the Minister for Community Services): In relation to the line item in the 2012–13 state budget ‘Demand for Child FIRST and Integrated Family Services’ of \$20.8 million over four years:

- (1) How much of the funding was expended in the 2012–13 financial year.
- (2) How many additional cases were supported as a direct result of this funding in 2012–13.
- (3) How much of the funding will be expended in the 2013–14 financial year.
- (4) How many additional cases will be supported as a direct result of this funding in 2013–14.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- (1) The allocated budget outcome of \$5 million was fully expended in 2012–13.
- (2) An additional 1360 cases of support were provided as a result of the funding increase in 2012–13.
- (3) As the financial year is not yet completed, funding is unable to be provided.

- (4) As the financial year is not yet completed, additional cases are not able to be provided.

Community services: Services Connect

- 10 080. MS MIKAKOS** — To ask the Minister for Housing (for the Minister for Community Services): In relation to the line item in the 2013–14 state budget ‘Services Connect’ of \$9 million over four years, how much of the funding will be expended in 2013–14 and what will it be expended on.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The actual allocation for the line item state budget ‘Services Connect’ was \$12 million over two years. Expenditure is underway on a range of areas to support the expansion of Services Connect.

Community services: child protection

- 10 112. MS MIKAKOS** — To ask the Minister for Housing (for the Minister for Community Services): In relation to contingency placements:

- (1) How much was expended on these in —
 - (a) 2011–12; and
 - (b) 2012–13.
- (2) How much will be expended on these in 2013–14.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- (1) The cost associated with unfunded placements is available in the 2013–14 Victorian budget, budget paper no. 3, page 159, and 2014–15 Victorian budget paper no. 3, page 169.
- (2) As the 2013–14 financial year is not yet completed, funding is unable to be provided.

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Major Outputs/Deliverables <i>Performance measures</i>	Unit of Measure	2012-13		2011-12 Actual
		2013-14 Target	Expected Outcome	
Organisations that have successfully completed a quality review (specialist support and placement services)	per cent	95	95	100
<i>This performance measure is transferred directly from the Specialist Support and Placement Services output.</i>				
<i>This performance measure renames the 2012-13 performance measure 'Organisations that have successfully completed a quality review' from the Specialist Support and Placement Services output. This new measure reports on the same activity as the previous measure but has been amended for increased clarity.</i>				
Proportion of Aboriginal children placed with relatives/kin, other Aboriginal carers or in Aboriginal residential care	per cent	60	60	nm
<i>This performance measure is transferred directly from the Specialist Support and Placement Services output.</i>				
Proportion of placements that are home-based care	per cent	90	90	92.2
<i>This performance measure is transferred directly from the Specialist Support and Placement Services output.</i>				
Timeliness				
Percentage of child protection reports requiring a priority investigation visited within two days	per cent	97	97	93.4
<i>This performance measure is transferred directly from the Statutory Child Protection Services output.</i>				
Sexual assault support services clients receiving an initial response within five working days of referral	per cent	95	98	98
<i>This performance measure is transferred directly from the Family and Community Services output.</i>				
Cost				
Total output cost	\$ million	795.3	756.3	711.1
<i>This performance measure is proposed to consolidate the 2012-13 performance measures 'Total output cost' in Statutory Child Protection Services, Specialist Support and Placement Services and Family and Community Services outputs into a new measure for 2013-14 called 'Total output cost' in the new Child Protection and Family Services output.</i>				
<i>The higher 2013-14 Target primarily reflects additional funding provided in the 2013-14 Budget, the impact of the social and community services pay equity case, and the full year effect of initiative funding announced in previous years' budgets.</i>				

* CP & Family Services line

Source: Department of Human Services

Major Outputs/Deliverables Performance measures	Unit of measure	2014-15 Target	2013-14	2013-14 Target	2012-13 Actual
			Expected Outcome		
Proportion of placements that are home-based care	per cent	90	93	90	92.5
<i>Timeliness</i>					
Percentage of child protection reports requiring a priority investigation visited within two days	per cent	97	98	97	95.1
Sexual assault support services clients receiving an initial response within five working days of referral	per cent	95	95	95	98.5
<i>Cost</i>					
Total output cost	\$ million	847.1	793.1	795.3	769.6
<i>The higher 2014-15 target primarily reflects additional government investment provided in the 2014-15 Budget, the impact of the social and community services pay equity case and the full year effect of prior year initiatives.</i>					

Source: Department of Human Services

* CLD Family Service Line

Community services: child protection

10 113. MS MIKAKOS — To ask the Minister for Housing (for the Minister for Community Services): In relation to contingency placements:

- (1) How much was expended on hotel and motel accommodation in —
 - (a) 2011–12; and
 - (b) 2012–13.
- (2) How much will be expended on hotel and motel accommodation in 2013–14.
- (3) What was the average duration that this accommodation was required.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- (1) (a) approximately \$225 000 was expended in 2011–12; and
 - (b) approximately \$15 100 was expended in 2012–13.
- (2) As the financial year is not yet completed, funding is unable to be provided.
- (3) As the financial year is not yet completed, the average duration for motels and hotels is not available.

Liquor and gaming regulation: Responsible Gambling Awareness Week

10 464. MS PULFORD — To ask the Minister for Liquor and Gaming Regulation: What was the cost of government advertising for Responsible Gambling Awareness Week in 2014 for —

- (a) television advertising;
- (b) print media;
- (c) online advertising; and
- (d) radio advertising.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

Advertising expenditure for Responsible Gambling Awareness Week 2014 was determined by the independent Victorian Responsible Gambling Foundation (the foundation).

Children and early childhood development: kindergarten funding

10 473. MS MIKAKOS — To ask the Minister for Children and Early Childhood Development: With regard to service providers that meet the eligibility criteria for kindergarten funding in 2014:

- (1) How many service providers providing 15 hours of kindergarten applied and received kindergarten funding for a standard per capita grant.
- (2) How many service providers providing 10.75 hours of kindergarten applied and received kindergarten funding for a standard per capita grant.
- (3) How many service providers providing 15 hours of kindergarten applied and received kindergarten funding for a rural per capita grant —
 - (a) at the rural rate;
 - (b) at the small rural rate.
- (4) How many service providers providing 10.75 hours of kindergarten applied and received kindergarten funding for a rural per capita grant —
 - (a) at the rural rate;

- (b) at the small rural rate.
- (5) Which service providers received the additional kindergarten funding through the small rural grants initiative.
- (6) How many service providers providing 15 hours of kindergarten applied and received kindergarten funding for a non-government school per capita grant —
 - (a) at the Type One Non-Government School Rate (ERI of 1–4);
 - (b) at the Type Two Non-Government School Rate (ERI of 5–12).
- (7) How many service providers providing 10.75 hours of kindergarten applied and received kindergarten funding for a non-government school per capita grant —
 - (a) at the Type One Non-Government School Rate (ERI of 1–4);
 - (b) at the Type Two Non-Government School Rate (ERI of 5–12).

ANSWER:

I am informed as follows:

In 2014 there are only 15-hour funding rates. The number of services that applied and received kindergarten funding by funding type are:

15 hours	
Funding type	No of services
standard per capita	1849
rural per capita	124
small rural per capita	80
non-government (type 1)	55
non-government (type 2)	55

The number of service providers to receive additional kindergarten funding through the small rural grants initiative has yet to be finalised. Payments are scheduled for August 2014 and all eligible services will receive a small rural grant.