

**PARLIAMENTARY INQUIRY QUESTION ON NOTICE**

**Department of Health**

**Senate Select Committee on COVID-19**

**Australian Government's response to the COVID-19 pandemic**

**13 May 2020**

**PDR Number: IQ20-000229**

**Commonwealth Government advice to manage infection control**

**Written**

**Senator : Katy Gallagher**

**Question**

Was any advice given from the Commonwealth Government to NW Tasmanian hospitals or the Tasmanian Health Service in relation to managing infection control?

**Answer:**

A range of infection prevention and control products and guidance are publicly available to all hospitals and health services on the Department of Health website. This includes a suite of products developed by the Infection Control Expert Group (ICEG), a subgroup of the Australian Health Protection Principal Committee (AHPPC).

No specific advice was provided by the Australian Government Department of Health to North West Tasmania Hospitals or the Tasmania Health Services in relation to managing infection control.