

**Question on notice no. 353**

**Portfolio question number: AE21-353**

**2020-21 Additional estimates**

**Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee, Home Affairs Portfolio**

**Senator Nick McKim:** asked the Australian Border Force on 22 March 2021—

How many detainees have received physical and/or mental health treatment in APODs?

a. Please provide a breakdown of treatment types and occurrences of treatment by (deidentified) individual.

**Answer —**

Please see the attached answer.

**SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS  
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**Program 1.3: Onshore Compliance and Detention**

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*Answer:*

From 1 September 2020 to 31 January 2021, 446 detainees received physical and/or mental health treatment in Alternative Places of Detention.

Treatment type	Occurrences of treatment
Addiction medicine	<5
Aged care services	15
Anaesthetics	5
Audiology	<5
Cardiology	<5
Counsellor	22
Dental	89
Dermatology	<5
Endorsed enrolled nurse	10
General physician	27
General surgery	<5
General practitioner	1,327
Gynaecology and obstetrics	<5
Presentation at hospital or super clinic	402
Mental health nurse	847
Neurology	<5
Other specialist	<5
Ophthalmology	7
Optometry	12
Orthopaedics	<5
Pathology	71
Pharmaceutical	205
Physiotherapy	25
Plastic, reconstruction and aesthetic surgery	<5

Treatment type	Occurrences of treatment
Podiatry	17
Primary health nurse	6,632
Psychiatry	116
Psychology	44
Radiology	198
Torture and trauma counselling	82
Urology	<5
<b>Total occurrences</b>	<b>10,178</b>