

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—

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

Answer —

Please see the attached answer.

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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
Total occurrences	10,178