

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

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Question: E12-143

OUTCOME 13: Acute Care

Topic: PALLIATIVE CARE

Written Question on Notice

Senator Boyce asked:

Would the department please provide a breakdown of funding for subacute care for Queensland under the 2010 National Partnership Agreement; and advise how it has been allocated across the various categories – rehabilitation, palliative care, geriatric evaluation and management and psychogeriatric services.

Answer:

A breakdown of funding for subacute care in Queensland's Implementation Plan under the National Partnership Agreement on Improving Public Hospital Services (NPA IPHS) is summarised below for projects to be delivered over the period 2010-11 to 2013-14. The Plan does not include a distribution of funding between subacute care types (palliative care, rehabilitation, etc.) for all projects.

Total funding for Queensland over four years under Schedule E of the NPA IPHS: \$327 million (the total value of the projects below is taken from QLD's IP and differs slightly from QLD's allocation under Schedule E).

Palliative care

Queen Elizabeth II Hospital: 10 beds — \$12.46 million

Rehabilitation

Maryborough Hospital: 22 beds and rehabilitation facilities — \$20.38 million

Cairns Hospital: 16 beds — \$14.36 million

Rockhampton Hospital: 16 beds — \$22.12 million

Logan Hospital: 24 beds and associated facilities — \$57.44 million

Townsville Hospital: 15 beds — \$20.03 million

Various care types

Additional beds using existing infrastructure — total \$99.29 million

Gordonvale – 12 rehabilitation beds

Mareeba – 8 rehabilitation beds

Redlands – 10 palliative care beds

Maleny – 8 Geriatric Evaluation and Management (GEM) and rehabilitation beds

Carrara – 9 GEM/rehabilitation beds

Mackay – 2 rehabilitation beds

Royal Children's Hospital – 4 beds for paediatric palliative care

Boonah – 6 GEM/rehabilitation beds

Ipswich – 10 bed GEM unit
Toowoomba – 6 GEM/rehabilitation beds
Royal Brisbane and Women’s Hospital – 4 subacute beds for geriatric assessment and rehabilitation unit
Royal Brisbane and Women’s Hospital – 28 bed GEM unit
Brighton (Brisbane) – 6 rehabilitation beds
Cairns – 20 subacute mental health community care unit beds.

Non-admitted subacute care services equivalent to 93 additional beds — total
\$61.57 million

Rockhampton –rehabilitation/GEM beds
Sunshine Coast – rehabilitation
Townsville – rehabilitation
Mt Isa – rehabilitation
Ipswich – rehabilitation
Ipswich – palliative care
Toowoomba –rehabilitation/GEM beds
Toowoomba – rehabilitation
Toowoomba – Geriatric Assessment in the Emergency Department
Royal Brisbane and Women’s Hospital – rehabilitation
Caboolture – rehabilitation
Statewide spinal injury outreach (rehabilitation).

Purchase of non-admitted subacute care from non-government providers across all care types
— \$13.94 million

Support services

State-wide subacute care information management: — \$5.56 million

Under the NPA IPHS, Queensland has the flexibility to determine the mix of subacute service types and regional distribution of beds and services that will best meet the needs of the state. In determining its needs Queensland is required to actively engage with relevant sectors in the development of its Implementation Plan and throughout the period of the NPA IPHS.