

Inquiry into e-mobility safety and use in Queensland

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As an Anaesthetist working at a level 1 trauma center (GCUH) I see the life changing results of the burgeoning use of e-scooters and e-bikes. The burden on our trauma service is huge. These patients often require multiple surgical procedures and daily input from the trauma and pain teams. The knock on effects on other patients and the broader health services are also significant. Driving past Miami State School this morning I saw multiple e-bikes with two to three passengers, none of whom were wearing helmets. It is shameful that so little is done to prevent these children undertaking behaviors that could well result in them becoming yet another patient in our resuscitation bay with a life altering head injury. I would encourage the committee to contact the trauma team at GCUH to obtain current statistics regarding e-bikes and e-scooters.