

Question on Notice
No. 669
Asked on 9 May 2006

MRS PRATT asked the Minister for Health (MR ROBERTSON)—

QUESTION:

With reference to all public hospitals in Queensland—

- (1) What percentage of total Queensland Health budget is spent on administration?
- (2) What percentage of the total Queensland Health budget for Kingaroy, Kilcoy, Nanango, Murgon and Wondai is spent on administration/doctors/nurses and auxiliary staff i.e. kitchen/cleaning/gardening etc?
- (3) How many surgical beds are occupied by paying aged care patients in Royal Brisbane Hospital and other hospitals throughout Queensland?

ANSWER:

- (1) The Queensland Health Shared Service Provider (SSP) budget is 1% (approx) of the total \$5.35 billion Queensland Health budget in 2005-06.
- (2) The percentage of South Burnett Health Service District's (Cherbourg, Kingaroy, Murgon, Wondai, Nanango and other) total budget in 2005-06 for:
 - Shared Service Provider (SSP) is 3%;
 - Medical and Nursing is 47%;
 - Auxilliary staff is 22%.

Kilcoy Hospital in Redcliffe-Caboolture Health Service District current budget for 2005-06 is \$2.355M. The percentage of Redcliffe-Caboolture Health Service District's total budget in 2005-06 for:

- Shared Service Provider (SSP) is 0.5%;
 - Medical and Nursing is 43%;
 - Auxilliary staff is 21%.
- (3) Queensland Health is participating on a national steering group that is developing a proposal for a consultancy to collect data and develop an evaluation methodology for the Council of Australian Government (COAG) Initiative "Helping Public Patients in Hospital Waiting for Nursing Home Places" (known as the Long Stay Older Patients program).

Tasks for the consultants will include determining the information required and the data that should be collected about those patients. It is anticipated that the consultancy will report by the last quarter of this calendar year, and that recommendations for collection of new data may be able to be agreed for implementation from 1 July 2007.