

Question on Notice
No. 1685
Asked on 11 November 2008

MR HOBBS asked the Minister for Health (MR ROBERTSON)-

QUESTION:

With reference to Patient Transit Subsidy Scheme (PTSS) budgets for each Health Service District (reported separately for each district)—

- (1) What was the PTSS budget and the actual expenditure on PTSS claims for each district?
- (2) Will he detail the number of claims made, the average time taken to process claims and the longest time taken to process claims for each district in 2007-08?
- (3) Will he detail the number of PTSS claims each district had received but not processed at 30 June 2008?
- (4) For each district in 2008-09 will he detail the budget and the actual expenditure on PTSS claims to 30 October 2008?

ANSWER:

- (1) There is no specific budget allocation for PTSS for Districts as it is included in the district overall funding allocations
- (2)-(3) As there is no statewide reporting mechanism for PTSS, Queensland Health is not able to determine how many claims each district has, nor what the average time taken to process a claim is. However, under PTSS Guidelines the benchmark for processing of claims is that all claims should be settled within 30 days.
- (4) There is no specific budget allocation for PTSS for Districts as it is included in the district overall funding allocations,.