

Question on Notice

No. 1813

Asked on Thursday, 12 November 2009

MR CRIPPS ASKED THE MINISTER FOR DISABILITY SERVICES AND MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS (MS PALASZCZUK)—

Will the Minister detail all funding from the department allocated to community mental health services for 2008–09 and 2009–10 to date (broken down by region)?

ANSWER:

The Bligh Government is committed to the delivery of community mental health services to benefit the people of Queensland. The Department of Communities works with Queensland Health to provide a range of clinical and non clinical support services to people with a mental illness.

A new early intervention initiative has been funded by the Bligh Government in the 2009–10 State Budget and targets young people aged 15–25 years. This initiative will provide safe and supportive community-based care and support for young people showing the early signs and symptoms of mental health problems.

In 2008–09 and 2009–10 to date, the following funding has been provided to the community sector to support people with psychiatric disabilities and mental illness to reside in the community:

Region	2008–09	2009–10 (to date)
Brisbane	\$18,421,446	\$18,993,523
Central Queensland	\$2,649,388	\$3,040,719
Far North Queensland	\$2,481,657	\$3,171,389
North Coast	\$3,343,613	\$4,479,561
North Queensland	\$3,771,078	\$4,811,974
South East	\$5,884,400	\$5,247,728
South West	\$4,593,228	\$5,883,439