

**Question on Notice
No. 818
Asked on 25 May 2011**

MR DOWLING asked the Minister for Health (MR WILSON)-

QUESTION:

With the Gold Coast renal dialysis facility now at full capacity, what measures are in place to increase the renal dialysis service provided at Redland Hospital, which has documented evidence of six renal chairs not being used on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday afternoons due to a lack of funding (and business cases and submissions have been submitted to fund these shifts for the past two years but have been unsuccessful) and will the Minister commit the funding to open six extra chairs in Redlands to address the need?

ANSWER:

I thank the Honourable Member for Redlands for his question.

As I have previously advised the Member in the answer to Question on Notice No. 749, asked on 24 May 2011, the Metro South Nephrology Service advice does not support the Member's allegations.

Further, in relation to funding, I again refer the Member to answer to Question on Notice No. 749.