

Question on Notice
No. 885
Asked on 26 May 2011

DR ROBINSON asked the Minister for Health (MR WILSON)-

QUESTION:

With reference to the recent sacking of a number of casual Home and Community Care workers in the Redlands –

Will the Minister advise how many elderly and disabled clients have received Home and Community Care assistance in the Cleveland Electorate for the last five years (figures listed for each year) and how many of the sacked workers were previously engaged to provide services in the Cleveland area?

ANSWER:

I thank the Honourable Member for Cleveland for his question.

I am advised that HACC funding employs in excess of 300 staff in the District. There is no reduction in HACC services, and no reduction in the regular permanent or longer term clinical and home care workforce.

The Member has his facts wrong.

Further, as the Member ought to know, HACC services are provided by Health Service District and not by electorate as he has asked. Staff are not engaged within individual electorates. However I am advised that across the Health Service District, in the two most recent completed years there were more clients served than for any other year since records became available in 2007.