

Question on Notice
No. 192
Asked on 19 March 2014

MS D'ATH asked the Minister for Health (MR SPRINGBORG)-

QUESTION:

With reference to the Redcliffe GP Superclinic—

Will the Minister provide (a) the number of patients treated at the superclinic since it opened (broken down by week), (b) the number of doctors (both headcount and FTE) currently working at the superclinic, (c) the proposed starting dates for additional doctors to be employed at the superclinic in 2013-14 and 2014-15 and (d) a detailed list of other services scheduled to be offered at the superclinic (in addition to the current medical centre), and the proposed dates of commencement for these services?

ANSWER:

I thank the Honourable Member for Redcliffe for her question.

The Redcliffe GP superclinic has been in operation since 3 February 2014. Phase 1 of the clinic included a reception and waiting area and three consult rooms. Phase 2 reached practical completion on 28 March 2014 and includes three more consult rooms, a staff room, an extra waiting room and a treatment room. I am advised that appointments have been available since the clinic opened and there is a steady flow of patients receiving treatment at the clinic by the one GP currently employed. It is envisaged that over the next 12 months, and with completion of phase 2 of the fit-out, the practice will employ up to six full time equivalent doctors as well as the provision of an after hours clinic.

Other services planned for the Moreton Bay Integrated Care Centre (MBICC) include components of allied health and chronic disease management. As is expected, request for service offers will be placed to the market to ensure complete transparency over the process and decisions over the services will be made based on community health needs and value for money. Potential tenants need to be endorsed by the Commonwealth in accordance with the Commonwealth Funding Agreement. It is anticipated that the building will be at full utilisation within 12 months.