Question on Notice No. 905 Asked on 13 October 2015

MR MCARDLE asked the Minister for Health and Minister for Ambulance Services (HON C R DICK)—

Will the Minister detail the number of patients transferred out of I.C.U. who were subsequently re-admitted within (a) 12 hours of transfer, and (b) 24 hours of transfer, with each period reported separately for each H.H.S. with each hospital reported separately where an ICU operates, and for the financial years ending 30 June, 2013, 2014, 2015, and to date of this answer, with each period reported separately?

ANSWER:

I thank the Honourable Member for Caloundra for his question.

I am advised that readmission rates at 12 and 24 hours have not been universally adopted as a marker of clinical performance and data to reflect this outcome is not readily available.