

Question on Notice

No. 993

Asked on 23 August 2018

MR E SORENSEN asked the Minister for Health and Minister for Ambulance Services (HON DR S MILES) –

QUESTION

With reference to page 31 of the Queensland Health Service Delivery Statement and the chart that refers to total department expenses across the forward estimates—

Will the Minister advise whether those figures factor in Queensland signing up to the new National Partnership Agreement which commences in 2020-21?

ANSWER

Queensland is not prepared to sign the Heads of Agreement for the new National Partnership Agreement until the Commonwealth has paid what is owed under the current agreement.

In terms of the figures in the Service Delivery Statement referred to by the Member, health expenditure is funded from a variety of revenue sources, including the State Government appropriation, national health reform funding and national partnership agreements with the Commonwealth, and various sources of internally generated revenue. The projections reflect the activity delivered and forecast under the national health funding arrangements.