

Question on Notice

No. 1630

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

QUESTION

Will the Minister provide an update on the Future Hospital Program, including (a) actual expenditure to date, (b) the budget for 2019-20, (c) the impact of the unsuccessful rollout of the integrated electronic Medical Record system, (d) whether the program will be expanded to other hospitals and (e) how the program is being evaluated?

ANSWER

- (a & b) Clinical Excellence Queensland provided non-recurrent funding for the Future Hospital Program of \$500,000 in 2016-17, \$1.7 million in 2017-18, \$1.7 million in 2018-19, and \$500,000 in 2019-20.
- (c) The implementation of the integrated electronic Medical Record (ieMR) system is a separate project to the Future Hospital Program.
- (d) Metro South Hospital and Health Service (HHS) will determine the appropriateness of expanding the Future Hospital Program initiatives to other Metro South HHS facilities as it continues to evaluate the strategy and as part of its ongoing planning for the delivery of health services.
- (e) Evaluation of individual initiatives within the Future Hospital Program forms part of the implementation strategy. Each project piloted within the Future Hospital Program framework is evaluated upon completion, with measured outcomes compiled in the Future Hospital Program Annual Report.

Metro South HHS is in the process of evaluating the strategy using the Organisational Strategy Improvement Matrix, a tool used across Australian healthcare systems to help health services identify, measure and monitor organisational accelerators and barriers to improvement.