Question on Notice

No. 627

Asked on 30 April 2019

MS R BATES asked the Minister for Health and Minister for Ambulance Services (HON DR S MILES) —

QUESTION

With reference to Queensland Health reducing the outsourcing of Ear, Nose and Throat surgical services to the private sector—

Will the Minister advise what is being done to meet the demand in the public sector on the Sunshine Coast?

ANSWER

The Palaszczuk Government is delivering more and better Ear, Nose and Throat services on the Sunshine Coast.

We are running additional theatre sessions at SCUH during May-June 2019 to ensure even more patients receive the treatment they need.

We recently expanded ENT services with the commencement of Head and Neck sub-specialty services.

And we continue to fund public patients in private facilities where that allows them to receive their treatment sooner.