

## **Question on Notice**

No. 942

Asked on 12 June 2019

**MR M MCARDLE** asked the Minister for Health and Minister for Ambulance Services (HON DR S MILES) –

### **QUESTION**

Will the Minister provide, as at 1 February 2019, for each aged care facility or service operated or funded by Queensland Health (with each facility or service reported separately, but not naming each facility or service) (a) the number of patients, (b) the number of staff FTE and (c) staff to patient ratio?

### **ANSWER**

Collating and validating the data requested by the Member on a continual basis is a substantial and unreasonable diversion of departmental resources. I refer the Member to the repeated data requests by various Members on the number of patients and number of staff FTE, for example, Questions on Notice Nos. 625, 1550, 1586, 1642 and 1755 from 2018.

At the 2017 State Election, the Government committed to introduce safe staff-to-resident ratios, including nurse-to-resident ratios, in public aged care settings in Queensland. The Palaszczuk Government is actively working towards introducing ratios in our 16 residential aged care facilities.