Question on Notice

No. 38

Asked on 23 February 2021

DR M ROBINSON ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH AND AMBULANCE SERVICES (HON Y D'ATH) –

QUESTION

Will the Minister advise by age group for each year over the last five years (a) the number of Oral Health presentations at Redland Hospital and (b) how many adult dental surgeries requiring anaesthesia have been referred from Redland Hospital to other hospitals in the region?

ANSWER

I am advised of the following information regarding Oral Health at the Redlands Oral Health Centre:

| Year | Paediatric (0-15 years) | Adult (16 and over) | Adult (16 and over) referred to other services outside of the Redlands Local Government Area | Approx. Percentage Referred |
|---|----------------------------|------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|
| 2020-21 (YTD as at 25 February 2021) | 28 | 2,587 | 5 | 0.19% |
| 2019-20 | 0 | 3,573 | 15 | 0.41% |
| 2018-19 | 17 | 4,446 | 15 | 0.33% |
| 2017-18 | 10 | 3,913 | 6 | 0.15% |
| 2016-17 | 10 | 4,591 | 6 | 0.13% |

Data source: Information System Oral Health

I am further advised that while Metro South Hospital and Health Service endeavours to provide care closest to where patient lives, should a patient present with an underlying health issue that prevents the use of general anaesthesia, then, in consultation with the patient, care will be facilitated at the nearest hospital.