Question on Notice

No. 419

Asked on 21 April 2021

MRS D FRECKLINGTON ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH AND AMBULANCE SERVICES (HON Y D'ATH) –

QUESTION

With reference to the new Kingaroy Hospital and concerns raised by patients about showers not draining down the centrally placed drains, but instead draining out into the bed area and there being no mirrors in the bathrooms—

Will the Minister advise (a) why water from the showers is not draining properly, (b) how and when this is being rectified and (c) whether mirrors will be installed in each bathroom?

ANSWER

The Darling Downs Hospital and Health Service (HHS) has advised as follows:

- All hospital shower ensuites are designed in accordance with the Australasian Health Industry Guidelines and Australian Building Codes. All shower ensuites within the new Kingaroy Hospital were certified by an independent building inspector, prior to occupation and operational use, and they drain correctly as designed;
- Darling Downs HHS is aware there is a water pressure issue which may be attributing to water entering the bathroom space and this is being investigated as part of the standard defect rectification process; and
- All patient bathrooms have mirrors installed.