QUESTION ON NOTICE ASKED

Thursday, 17 June 2021 Answer Due: Monday 19 July 2021

844 Mr J LANGBROEK ASKED MINISTER FOR SENIORS AND DISABILITY SERVICES AND MINISTER FOR ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER PARTNERSHIPS (HON C CRAWFORD)

Will the Minister advise for the 2019-20 to 2020-21 to date (a) the total number of adults with an intellectual disability or cognitive impairment who have been detained in the Forensic Disability Service (FDS) on forensic orders (reported separately per year) and (b) of those, the number of detainees who have been held in secluded cells and for what period of time?

Answer:

The Forensic Disability Service is a specialist medium security residential service that provides rehabilitation and habilitation programs and services to up to 10 adult clients with a cognitive impairment or intellectual disability who have offended and are subject to a forensic order disability.

(a) the total number of adults with an intellectual disability or cognitive impairment who have been detained in the Forensic Disability Service (FDS) on forensic orders (reported separately per year)

During 2019-20, there were seven (7) adults with an intellectual or cognitive impairment detained to the FDS on forensic orders (Disability).

During 2020-21, there were six (6) adults with an intellectual or cognitive impairment detained to the FDS on forensic orders (Disability).

(b) of those, the number of detainees who have been held in secluded cells and for what period of time

Of those clients detained to the FDS between 2019-2021, 2 clients have been subject to seclusion orders whilst detained to the FDS. There have been a total of 5,854 seclusion orders during this period. Each seclusion order is made for a period of time as deemed necessary to address the risks, noting that the seclusion order can be for a period of time up to but not exceeding 3 hours. The shortest single order in the period was 27 minutes. Any further disaggregation could lead to the identification of individual clients which would be contrary to the *Forensic Disability Act 2011*.