

## Question on Notice

No. 1403

Asked on 29 November 2022

**MS A CAMM** ASKED THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL AND MINISTER FOR JUSTICE, MINISTER FOR WOMEN AND MINISTER FOR THE PREVENTION OF DOMESTIC AND FAMILY VIOLENCE (HON S FENTIMAN) –

### QUESTION:

Will the Attorney-General provide (reported separately by region) the number of perpetrator programs and the average wait time for each program?

### ANSWER:

I thank the Member for Whitsunday for the question.

I am advised that funding of \$7.739 million in 2022-23 is provided to 17 service organisations across 24 service outlets to provide perpetrator programs throughout the State. The number of service outlets delivering perpetrator programs in 2022-23 are listed by region in the table below:

Region - Local Government Area	Number of Service Outlets
Brisbane (C)	3
Bundaberg (R)	1
Cairns (R)	1
Fraser Coast (R)	1
Gladstone (R)	1
Gold Coast (C)	2
Ipswich (C)	1
Logan (C)	1
Mackay (R)	2
Moreton Bay (R)	1
Mount Isa (C)	2
Redland (C)	1
Rockhampton (R)	1
South Burnett (R)	1
Sunshine Coast (R)	1
Toowoomba (R)	2
Townsville (C)	1
Whitsunday (R)	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>24</b>

Perpetrator programs and men's services are not required to report to the Department on wait times. Reporting requirements are currently under review.

In response to Recommendation 9 of the *Domestic and Family Violence Death Review and Advisory Board 2019-20 Annual* report, the Queensland Government has committed to deliver a standalone, system-wide strategy for responding to all perpetrators of domestic and family violence, regardless of their level of risk, with a focus on early detection, intervention, accountability and prevention. The aim of the strategy will be to lower the incidence and severity of domestic and family violence in Queensland.

As part of this strategy, a state-wide network of perpetrator intervention programs will be established as per the Government response to Recommendations 25 to 28 of the Women's Safety and Justice Taskforce *Hear her voice – Report One – Addressing coercive control and domestic and family violence in Queensland* report supported by funding of \$22.763 million over four years.

This includes annual funding of an initial \$2.7 million which will be distributed to existing men's behaviour change programs commencing from 1 January 2023 to meet increased demand. Trials of diverse programs commenced or being planned include: online programs, youth programs, culturally appropriate healing centred programs for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and early intervention programs.