

Question on Notice

No. 1455

Asked on 1 December 2022

MS R BATES ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH AND AMBULANCE SERVICES (HON Y D'ATH)—

QUESTION

With reference to Part 9 Health Service Investigations, as identified in the Hospital and Health Boards Act 2011—

Will the Minister provide a list of all investigations undertaken since 2015 (including current/ongoing investigations) (reported separately by Hospital and Health Service, purpose of the review and year)?

ANSWER

Queensland Health takes any allegations of misconduct or inadequate clinical practice seriously and follows a strong governance framework in investigating and responding to concerns. Health service investigations (HSIs) form an important part of improving clinical practice.

I am advised that a list of all health service investigations undertaken within Queensland Health under part 9 of the *Hospital and Health Boards Act 2011* (HHB Act) since 2015 is not a readily available report. Further, since the commencement of the HHB Act, Hospital and Health Services (HHSs) are not required to advise the Director General of Queensland Health of health service investigations they commission locally under part 9 of the HHB Act.

Providing the list requested would require extensive work by each HHS and the Department in terms of extracting, collating and analysing the information. Undertaking that work would necessitate diverting resources from delivering and supporting frontline services.