

Question on Notice

No. 1089

Asked on 13 September 2023

MR B HEAD ASKED MINISTER FOR HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH AND AMBULANCE SERVICES AND MINISTER FOR WOMEN (HON S FENTIMAN)—

QUESTION

With reference to all hospitals and multipurpose health centres within the Callide Electorate—

Will the Minister advise (reported separately for each hospital and centre) (a) the current FTE establishment for medical staff, (b) the number of FTEs filled by locum medical staff, (c) the number of currently advertised medical staff positions (FTE) and (d) the longest vacant medical position (in days)?

ANSWER

The Palaszczuk Government is committed to ensuring that our hospitals have the staff and resources needed to deliver the high-quality care Queenslanders deserve.

Since 2015, we have hired almost 19,000 additional frontline staff, including almost 3,500 medical staff and more than 11,000 nurses and midwives.

But we know that there is more to do, particularly in the face of a global health workforce shortage. That's why we have launched the Workforce Attraction Incentive Scheme, providing payments of up to \$70,000 to interstate and overseas health workers who work in regional and remote Queensland.

(a) the current FTE establishment for medical staff,

BARALABA, CQHHS	2
BIGGENDEN MULTI PURPOSE HEALTH SERVICE, WBHHS	2
BILOELA, CQHHS	6
CHINCHILLA HOSPITAL, DDHHS	4
EIDSVOLD MULTI PURPOSE HEALTH SERVICE, WBHHS	2
GAYNDAH HOSPITAL, WBHHS	2
GIN GIN HOSPITAL, WBHHS	2.5
JANDOWAE MULTI PURPOSE HEALTH SERVICE, DDHHS	3
MILES HOSPITAL, DDHHS	4
MONTO HOSPITAL, WBHHS	2
MOURA MULTIPURPOSE HEALTH SERVICE, CQHHS	2
MUNDUBBERA MULTI PURPOSE HEALTH SERVICE, WBHHS	2
TAROOM, DDHHS	1.4
THEODORE MULTIPURPOSE HEALTH SERVICE, CQHHS	2

(b) the number of FTEs filled by locum medical staff,

BARALABA, CQHHS	0.5
BIGGENDEN MULTI PURPOSE HEALTH SERVICE, WBHHS	0
BILOELA, CQHHS	2
CHINCHILLA HOSPITAL, DDHHS	2
EIDSVOLD MULTI PURPOSE HEALTH SERVICE, WBHHS	1
GAYNDAH HOSPITAL, WBHHS	1
GIN GIN HOSPITAL, WBHHS	1
JANDOWAE MULTI PURPOSE HEALTH SERVICE, DDHHS	1
MILES HOSPITAL, DDHHS	1
MONTO HOSPITAL, WBHHS	2
MOURA MULTIPURPOSE HEALTH SERVICE, CQHHS	N/A
MUNDUBBERA MULTI PURPOSE HEALTH SERVICE, WBHHS	2
TAROOM, DDHHS	0.7
THEODORE MULTIPURPOSE HEALTH SERVICE, CQHHS	N/A

(c) the number of currently advertised medical staff positions (FTE)

BARALABA, CQHHS	1
BIGGENDEN MULTI PURPOSE HEALTH SERVICE, WBHHS	0
BILOELA, CQHHS	3
CHINCHILLA HOSPITAL, DDHHS	2
EIDSVOLD MULTI PURPOSE HEALTH SERVICE, WBHHS	0
GAYNDAH HOSPITAL, WBHHS	1
GIN GIN HOSPITAL, WBHHS	1
JANDOWAE MULTI PURPOSE HEALTH SERVICE, DDHHS	1
MILES HOSPITAL, DDHHS	1
MONTO HOSPITAL, WBHHS	1
MOURA MULTIPURPOSE HEALTH SERVICE, CQHHS	1
MUNDUBBERA MULTI PURPOSE HEALTH SERVICE, WBHHS	0
TAROOM, DDHHS	1.42
THEODORE MULTIPURPOSE HEALTH SERVICE, CQHHS	0

(d) the longest vacant medical position (in days)?

Due to the lack of specificity in the question, and unclear scope, I am unable to provide a response. I am advised that, where possible, locum staff are used to fill vacancies to ensure no, or limited, gaps in medical coverage.