

Question on Notice

No. 314

Asked on 29 March 2023

MR B HEAD ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH AND AMBULANCE SERVICES (HON Y D'ATH)—

QUESTION

Will the Minister outline the total PTSS costs for all maternity related care at the Rockhampton Hospital (reported separately by month from January 2022), with data from patients residing in 4680 and 4715 postcodes also separated?

ANSWER

An increase or decrease of Patient Travel Subsidy Scheme (PTSS) costs is not an indicator of service provision as the scheme provides a variety of subsidies and the cost of providing these subsidies are highly dependent on the specific needs of each individual patient and should be interpreted accordingly.

I am advised the total cost of eligible PTSS applications, provided for maternity patients residing in the postcodes 4680 and 4715 travelling to Rockhampton Hospital from January 2022 to February 2023 is \$159,658.36.

I am advised the cost of eligible PTSS applications, provided for maternity patients residing in the 4680 postcode travelling to Rockhampton Hospital by month from January 2022 to February 2023 is as follows: \$1,078.80, \$658.26, \$1,761.86, \$658.26, \$528.00, \$4,680.00, \$1,400.52, \$1,678.82, \$-, \$2,443.17, \$2,014.07, \$784.26, \$1,116.78 and \$3,025.25 respectively.

I am advised the cost of eligible PTSS applications, provided for maternity patients residing in the 4715 postcode travelling to Rockhampton Hospital by month from January 2022 to February 2023 is as follows: \$172.44, \$2,252.00, \$172.44, \$2,252.00, \$4,008.66, \$1,293.30, \$431.10, \$3,590.97, \$2,298.66, \$2,654.64, \$4,516.68, \$2,905.74, \$3,480.00 and \$11,189.42 respectively.