Question on Notice

No. 670

Asked on 24 May 2023

MS A CAMM asked the Minister for Child Safety and Minister for Seniors and Disability Services (HON C CRAWFORD)—

QUESTION

Will the Minister provide the number of System and Practice Reviews conducted by the department (reported separately by year) since 2015 for (a) child deaths and (b) serious physical injuries?

ANSWER

Systems and Practice Reviews are required to be undertaken following the death of or serious physical injury to a child who is known to the Department of Child Safety, Seniors and Disability Services as per Chapter 7A of the *Child Protection Act 1999*.

In response to part (a) of the question regarding the number of Child Death Reviews: 2015-16 - 55; 2016-17 - 53; 2017-18 - 45; 2018-19 - 45; 2019-20 - 54; 2020-21 - 58; 2021-22 - 71; and 2022-23 (Year to Date) - 66.

In response to part (b) of the question regarding the number of Serious Physical Injuries Reviews: 2015-16 - 6; 2016-17 - 5; 2017-18 - 12; 2018-19 - 19; 2019-20 - 37; 2020-21 - 34; 2021-22 - 49; and 2022-23 (Year to Date) - 37.