

Question on Notice

No. 772

Asked on 14 June 2023

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

QUESTION

Will the Minister provide the number of 'Code Black' (Personal Threat) incidents (reported separately by hospital and health service) for each financial year from 2015-16 to 2022-23?

ANSWER

Queensland Health are committed to addressing the issue of occupational violence against staff by promoting a culture of safety and ensuring healthcare workers, wherever they work, are supported should an incident occur.

I am advised that information related to code blacks is not collected centrally by the Department of Health. I am further advised that the recording and reporting of code blacks may vary within individual Hospital and Health Service facilities, e.g. a process for a larger facility with security personnel will be different to a smaller rural facility. As such, the quality of any data will not be consistent across facilities.