

Question on Notice

No. 862

Asked on 16 June 2023

MS A LEAHY ASKED MINISTER FOR HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH AND AMBULANCE SERVICES AND MINISTER FOR WOMEN (HON S FENTIMAN)—

QUESTION

Will the Minister provide a breakdown of the \$10m additional funding allocated to rural and regional maternity services based at Roma, including but not limited to, the target annual flying hours, aircraft required, FTEs, locations which the flying obstetric and gynaecology service is expected to visit and any other service delivered by the additional funding?

ANSWER

On 9 June 2023, the Honourable Anastacia Palaszczuk MP, Premier and Minister for the Olympic and Paralympic Games, the Honourable Cameron Dick MP, Treasurer and Minister for Trade and Investment, and I announced \$42 million over four years from 2023-24 to bring maternity services closer to home for regional, rural and remote women.

The funding will, in part, contribute to strengthening outreach obstetric and gynaecology services, including tele-health enabled care, and retrieval services, incorporating the flying obstetrician and gynaecology service.

I am advised the Department of Health is working with the flying obstetric and gynaecology service on what services can be delivered with additional funding.