

QUESTION ON NOTICE
ASKED
Thursday, 20 November 2025
Answer Due: Monday, 5 January 2026

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MR S KNUTH ASKED MINISTER FOR HEALTH AND AMBULANCE SERVICES (HON T NICHOLLS)

With reference to the essential role the Queensland Rural and Remote Clinical Network (QRRCN) has played in ensuring access to expert clinical advice, continuity between primary and tertiary care, and equitable treatment regardless of postcode, and the risks that its removal will lead to serious impacts on patients with chronic and life-threatening conditions, as well as further reducing regional Queenslanders' access to clinical care—

Will the Minister (a) explain why Queensland Health has discontinued the QRRCN, given its critical role in supporting vulnerable rural patients requiring complex, coordinated and specialist-linked care and (b) urgently reinstate the QRRCN to protect safe, evidence-based rural and remote healthcare?