

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

WRITTEN QUESTION

Mr Yan to the Minister for Health:

**Aged Care**

- 1. How many beds at Royal Darwin Hospital are currently being used for aged care?**

As at 18 August 2022 there are 47 beds being used for aged care.

- 2. What is the average number of beds used for aged care purposes in Royal Darwin Hospital over the 2021/22 financial year?**

Over 2021-22 on average 35 beds were occupied by patients waiting to be discharged to a residential aged care facility placement.

- 3. What is the longest time a person has been in a bed at a Territory hospital while waiting for discharge to supported accommodation or a nursing home?**

The longest stay for a person currently waiting placement to a residential aged care facility is 1,700 days due to complex and very high care needs.