

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

WRITTEN QUESTION

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to Minister for Health, Family and Children's Services

Over the past two financial years 1996/97 and 1997/98, what money has been spent on —

- (a) the services of the Royal Flying Doctor Service (RFDS) to remote communities; and
- (b) hostel and THS funded accommodation for people from remote communities receiving treatment at urban locations.

For financial years 1996/97 and 1997/98, what were the number of emergency evacuations from remote communities; and include the details of the number of RFDS flights and THS funded vehicle transfers.

ANSWER

	REGION	1996/97	1997/98
1(a)	<u>Operations Central</u>		
	. RFDS Aviation	\$1,647,476.00	\$1,652,908.00
	. Operation of Yulara Medical Centre	\$483,076.00	\$494,600.00
	TOTAL	<u>\$2,130,552.00</u>	<u>\$2,147,508.00</u>
	<u>Note: RFDS does not operate in the Top End</u>		
1(b)	<u>Operations Central</u>	\$83,419.00	\$99,556.00
	<u>Operations North</u>	\$454,642.00	\$485,824.00
	TOTAL	<u>\$538,061.00</u>	<u>\$585,380.00</u>
2	<u>Operations Central</u>		
	(a) RFDS	1355	1497
	(b) Other	865	1015
	Subtotal	2220	2512
	<u>Operations North</u>		
	(a) NT Air Medical Service	4307	4657
	(b) Other	715	713
	Subtotal	5022	5370
	TOTAL	<u>7242</u>	<u>7882</u>