LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

WRITTEN QUESTION

Mrs Finocchiaro to the Minister for Health:

Banned Drinker Register and Alcohol treatment figures

1. What are the latest figures (numbers, not percentage) for people having to repeat alcohol treatment in the Northern Territory since the introduction of the BDR?

2. What is the completion rate of those in alcohol treatment in the Northern Territory? (ie of those who go in, how many finish the 12 week course). We realise there are different "episodes of care" and a client may undertake many different forms of rehab but this question is SPECIFICALLY for the 12 week rehab course offered.

3. Please provide a breakdown of how many people were referred to the BDR by which pathway. For example, we understand there are four pathways to the BDR - police, courts, corrections, and authorised person/self-referral. I know there are monthly reports which are published but would you please provide totals for the year?

4. What is the average length of time for those on the BDR? For example, say 70 percent may be on the BDR for six months.

5. What percentage of clients in alcohol rehab are also on the BDR?

6. Regarding the 12 month evaluation of the BDR in the NT, Part One, Rec 2 recommends "increased resourcing is invested into linking health, justice and social issues data for people on the BDR prior to undertaking the 24 month BDR evaluation" - is that happening? At what cost?
7. How will you collect "more detailed socio-economic data about people on the BDR"? (Rec 9)

8. What recommendations from the Six Month Process Evaluation have been implemented? (there were 23 - the NTG supported 14 and in-principle support for 9). At what cost?

9. Is part two of this report, which is due to be released this month (June), going to be released soon?

10. What has been the cost of these evaluations?

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