LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

WRITTEN QUESTION

Mrs Finocchiaro to the Minister for Health:

Alcohol measures

1. Of the total 459 Banned Drinker Register clients who commenced voluntary episodes of treatment between 1 September 2017 and 30 April 2019, 428 ceased that treatment and just 31 percent or 143 completed their treatment. All these figures are from non-government organisations. Why don't government services record the completion rates for their clients?

This question uses information provided in response to Estimates Question on Notice 4.30. The figures are from both government and non-government services.

2. How many clients between 1 July 2018 and 31 March 2019 used the detox services at the Berrimah Stringybark facility and how many have stopped abusing alcohol or drugs?

There were 175 admissions to the Stringybark Withdrawal service between 1 July 2018 and 31 March 2019.

The current information systems do not provide for tracking a person from the withdrawal service to other treatment services.

3. Do you have any plans to fund an expansion of the facilities? If so, when?

The current facilities have adequate capacity and there is no evidence to support an expansion of facilities.