

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

WRITTEN QUESTION

Mr Yan to the Minister for Health:

Health – External Advice

Background:

Your response to a previous Written Question shows that a \$11,417 consultancy was awarded to the NSW Government's Clinical Excellence Commission for the provision of advice for NT Health.

Questions:

1. Please advise why this tender was not released publically.

This was a Tier 1 request (<15,000) that requires a single quotation as a minimum.

2. Were any other organisations included on the select tender? If so, please provide details.

No, as only one quotation was requested as per Tier 1 requirements.

3. Why was the awarded tender not published on the Tenders online web page?

There is no requirement to publish Tier 1 awards.

4. If the awarded tender was published publically somewhere else, please provide details.

As above.

5. What specific advice was provided by the NSW Government?

The New South Wales (NSW) Clinical Excellence Commission (CEC) provided a comprehensive report for the improvement of sepsis recognition and management within NT Health.

6. How was this advice utilised in the delivery of health services in the Territory?

The NSW CEC report was used to direct implementation of the NT Sepsis Management Improvement Project. The project is now underway and includes measuring performance such as changes to hospital length of stay, in-hospital and overall mortality and sepsis admission rates.