LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

WRITTEN QUESTION

Mrs Finocchiaro to the Minister for Health:

Core Clinical Systems Renewal Program (CCSRP)

1. **Is this project against the Department of Health budget or the Department of Corporate and Information Services, or is it shared?**

    The allocation of funding for the program was provided to the Department of Corporate and Information Services. Department of Corporate and Information Services is directly accountable for the management of all funds.

2. **From a Health perspective, is the project proceeding as expected and are you confident the deadlines will be met for first tranche implementation in July?**

    The project is completing the design stage and moving to the solution build stage. The Program is expected to be delivered within the proposed timeframe.

3. **Who made the recommendation to Cabinet for this project? Health? DCIS or jointly?**

    Department of Corporate and Information Services prepared the business case on behalf of the Department of Health.

4. **How will this compare with Health systems interstate? For example, for clinical staff moving to the Territory, will this be easy to adjust to or does it already exist interstate? Will it require training of clinical staff?**

There are a small number of health services that have selected this solution within Australia and whilst some common elements exist, each organisation has its own set up (configuration).
Training for staff is expected and has been accounted for within the program funding.

5. **What redundancies have been built into the system to enable business continuity?**

The system has full redundancy capabilities with the underling infrastructure being hosted in two separate Northern Territory Government Data Centres. As with all current clinical systems, the Health Services and the systems support areas have established Business Continuity plans in place to support continuity of care in the event of system outages.

6. **From our briefings we know there are 19 Territory interests involved in the project and you have claimed about $6m into local businesses to date. Would you please confirm those numbers?**

This question should be directed to the Minister for Corporate and Information Services for response.

7. **We understand there are a dozen public servants working on the project – would you please confirm that and what is the cost of those public servants working on it? Is it part of the budgeted $259m over five years?**

This question should be directed to the Minister for Corporate and Information Services for response.

8. **How much are you spending per month on contractors for this project? How much of that contractor money is spent locally?**

    This question should be directed to the Minister for Corporate and Information Services for response.

9. **How does the expenditure on this ICT project compare with the expenditure on similar projects?**

    This question should be directed to the Minister for Corporate and Information Services for response.

10. **The approximately $11m decrease in overall funding for corporate and governance is, according to BP3, "mainly due to one-off transfer provided for ICT projects - is that the CCSRP or another project? If for another project, which one?**

    The one-off transfer was mainly for a number of ICT projects, they include:
    - Electronic Document and Records Management Project
    - eProcurement
    - Enterprise e-Credentialing System
    - Radiology Integration Project
    - Remote Area Nurses Accommodation Internet Project
    - Bio-Med Infusion Pumps
    - Project Assurance Program
    - Enterprise Architecture
    - Primary Care Information System and Community Care Information System Changes
    - Citrix and Windows 2008 Upgrade
    - Enterprise Data Warehouse Redesign (EDW)
    - Health Integrated Platform (HIP)
    - Health Services Release and Environment Management and Test (HSREM)

    EDW, HIP and HSREM support CCSRP.

11. **How many other new ICT systems and programs have you introduced into the department since March 2018? At what cost? Please provide details of each system/program, its basic function and the cost of its development and implementation.**

The table below identifies new systems with an implementation completed since March 2018 and the total project costs.

Completed ICT Systems/Programs	Cost
Electronic Records Management System Implementation of the HPE Content Manager system for records management	$1.28 million
Best Practice Order Set Manages Emergency Department pathology orders	$1.39 million
Office of the Public Guardian Information System Supports case management of Public Guardian clients	$660 000
Health Procurement System (Central Australia implementation) Implemented a new supply chain management system for procurement and inventory management of consumables in Central Australia	$5.45 million
eCredentialing System Manages applications, reviews and approvals associated with credentialing practitioners to work within approved scopes of practice	$424 000