

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

WRITTEN QUESTION

Mr Vowles to the Minister for Health:

Aged Care

1. Please provide details for 2012-13 and 2013-14 of the number of aged care patients cared for in NT hospitals, by hospital, because of the lack of aged care beds in other non-hospital aged care facilities, including the number and age of patients and the number of patients resident in NT hospitals for more than six months, one year and two years.

RDH

Currently there are 62 people in Darwin on the waiting list for a bed in an aged care facility, with 48 people assessed and awaiting permanent placement in the community (this includes some people from interstate wanting to move to Darwin as well as intrastate people).

Katherine Hospital

Katherine Hospital currently has 7 patients who are awaiting placement for high level care.

Gove Hospital

There are no aged care clients waiting for placement in Gove Hospital.

Alice Springs Hospital

Alice Springs Hospital currently has 12 patients awaiting placement for care.

Tennant Creek Hospital

There are two aged care clients currently at Tennant Creek Hospital.