

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

WRITTEN QUESTION

Mrs Finocchiaro to the Minister for Health:

Suicide prevention

Regarding the Suicide Prevention Strategic Framework 2018-2023 and Implementation Plan:

1. How is the government increasing "accessibility to prevention, intervention and postvention initiatives being delivered in all sectors" (p19 implementation plan). What resources have you put towards this goal?
2. What resources are you allocating for the development of an "online platform covering all of NT" (p22)?
3. How are you promoting "local training opportunities for staff providing services to priority groups" (p25)
4. How do you plan to "embed professional development in workplaces to facilitate a culturally safe and trauma informed approach to engaging individuals and communities"? (p25)
5. What, if any, progress has been made in regional suicide prevention planning in the NT? Are there any regional plans in place yet or in development? What resources have you allocated to regional planning? (p27)
6. Who specifically sits on the Northern Territory Suicide Prevention Coordination Committee? How often does it meet and how often does it report on progress?

On related issues:

7. On 10 November last year you announced 23 applicants had been awarded a total of \$200,000 worth of Suicide Prevention Community grants - who were the recipients of the grants and for what projects?
8. What specific programs targeting youth suicide have you funded for five years? When did the funding begin?
9. What is the current suicide rate in the Northern Territory and how does it compare with previous years?