

**LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY**

**WRITTEN QUESTION**

Mr Bill Yan to the Minister for Health:

**Howard Springs Quarantine Facility Capacity Increase**

**Questions:**

Following the announcement that the Commonwealth Government has reached an agreement with the NT Government to more than double the current capacity of the international wing of Howard Springs, can you please advise:

1. What infrastructure upgrades will be required to increase the capacity from 850 to 2,000 by May 2021?
2. Will the existing contracts in place with Northern Rise Village Services, Karen Sheldon and Wilson Security be sufficient for the newly increased capacity?
3. What upgrades, other than infrastructure upgrades, will be required?
4. Will there be any cost to the Northern Territory in increasing the capacity?
5. How will any additional costs be split between the Territory and the Commonwealth?
6. Will there be additional COVID-19 Vaccinations provided for the increased capacity?