

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

WRITTEN QUESTION

Mrs Finocchiaro to the Minister for Health:

Alcohol and Other Drugs

Page 81 of the Department of Health Annual Report shows the actual number of assessments undertaken in NTG treatment services as being 195 in 2016-17. The key performance indicator (KPI) for 2017-18 was then set at 585 assessments and yet the actual number for 2017-18 was 222. The KPI for 2018-19 is again set at 585 assessments.

Please explain why the KPI was set at 585 assessments two years in a row when the actual number of assessments is less than half that.

What was/is the reason for the anticipated increase in Alcohol and Other Drugs assessments undertaken and why did this not eventuate in 2017-18?

Will this also be the case in 2018-19?