

**LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY****WRITTEN QUESTION**

Ms J Carney

to Minister for Health

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**Alice Springs Hospital - Repairs and Maintenance**

1. In response to one of the many reports about the hospital falling into the hands of media and others, your CEO was reported in the *NT News* on 7<sup>th</sup> Feb that some defects had been repaired, but others had not:
  - (a) It was known that the switchboard was faulty since April '03, and on 7<sup>th</sup> Feb your CEO said that is 'due to be redesigned'. Has that now been done, and if not, why not;
  - (b) It was known since April '03 that the hospital pager system was faulty and your CEO said on 7<sup>th</sup> Feb that it is 'being reviewed'. Has that been done and has it been fixed;
  - (c) Has the fire detection system been replaced; and
  - (d) What other repairs need to be done. Are there any risks to patient, staff or visitor safety.

**ANSWER**