LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

WRITTEN QUESTION

Ms Moss to the Minister for Mental Health Services:

2015/2016 Budget

1. Can you please articulate how the \$3 million in the 15/16 Budget has been allocated on a recurrent basis - for what projects both operational and capital?

The additional Mental Health funding committed through the 2015-16 budget is all for recurrent service delivery enhancement. No funds have been identified for capital purposes

INITIATIVE	FUNDS ALLOCATED
Headspace Katherine - Consortia contribution	\$150,000
Youth Inpatient Program (Territory-wide) – staffing component of a 5 bed inpatient unit and day program offering psychiatric diagnosis, assessment and treatment for children and young people.	\$900,000
Remote MH Clinicians (Top End) - new clinical positions and Aboriginal Mental Health Workers servicing remote communities in the Top End according to need	\$325,000
Mental Health Court Liaison Service - Two positions in Top End and one in Central Australia attached to forensic teams, to respond to Section 77 and other presentations to court including Bush Court.	\$500,000
Mental Health Access Team 6 new positions – four in Top End and two in Central Australia Will provide short term case management (up to 30 days) and mobile assessment functions, providing capacity for individuals to undergo a mental health assessment in their own home.	\$900,000
Supported Housing - up to 3 Mental Health Housing Officers in Top End and Central Australia to support access to community housing and facilitate development of a long-term Mental Health Housing strategy	\$225,000
TOTAL	\$3,000,000