

ESTIMATES COMMITTEE

Question Taken on Notice

Date: 13 June 2019

Subject: Cost of Detox Services at Stringybark facility

From: Member for Spillett

To: Minister for Health

Agency: Department of Health

Number: 4.29

Question: Please provide financial data on how much detox services at the Berrimah Stringybark facility cost the Department of Health.

Answer:

Detoxification services are delivered by the Top End Health Service at the Berrimah Stringybark facility at a 24-hour, 12 bed voluntary withdrawal facility operating within a medical supervision model. The provision of an acute withdrawal service is the first step in the treatment of severe substance use disorder.

Between 1 July 2018 and 31 March 2019, the cost of detox services at the Berrimah Stringybark facility cost \$3.1 million.