

**LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY**

**WRITTEN QUESTION**

Mr Yan to the Minister for Health:

**Special Needs Diagnosis**

1. What is the average wait time between a referral and a specialist assessment through the public system to get a special needs diagnosis for a child in the Northern Territory? What has been the longest wait time?
2. What is the average age at which children are diagnosed with special needs?
3. Can you provide the prevalence of families who seek a private diagnosis while awaiting a specialist appointment through the public system?