

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

WRITTEN QUESTION

Mr Guyula to the Minister for Territory Families:

Family Support and Child Protection

Minister, please advise on the details of:

1. The number of children that have been removed across the NT over the 20/21 financial year, and how many of those children are Indigenous?
2. How many children over the 20/21 financial year have been placed in kinship care?
3. Of those numbers of removals, how many babies were removed from mothers at birth? Have these babies been placed with kin?
4. On average over the 20/21 financial year, how many months has it taken to assess a kinship carer application? What are the Department's aims for how long it should take to assess a kinship carer application?
5. What financial support is provided to foster carers per child they look after, and what financial support do kinship carers receive per child they look after?
6. Over the 20/21 financial year how many family conferences occurred?
7. Are family conference facilitators contracted independently of the Department, and from which organisations?