

FIONA STANLEY HOSPITAL — STATE CORONER — INVESTIGATION

**540. Hon AMBER-JADE SANDERSON to the minister representing the Minister for Health:**

- (1) Can the Minister for Health confirm that at least 11 deaths of patients at Fiona Stanley Hospital that were not reported to the State Coroner at the time are now subsequently being investigated by the State Coroner?
- (2) If yes to (1) —
  - (a) why were these deaths not reported to the State Coroner at the time; and
  - (b) were all these deaths notified as critical incidents with the highest severity assessment code— SAC 1; and, if not, why not?
- (3) Since Fiona Stanley Hospital was opened, to date how many SAC 1s that have resulted in the death of a patient —
  - (a) have been notified; and
  - (b) have been confirmed?
- (4) Of these SAC 1s, how many in total have actually been reported to the coroner?

**Hon COL HOLT replied:**

I thank the member for some notice of this question. I answer on behalf of the Minister for Planning representing the Minister for Health.

- (1)–(4) The information required to answer the member's questions needs to be manually collated. The South Metropolitan Health Service is unable to respond within the allocated time frame, and, as such, I request that the member place this question on notice.