

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH — PAYMENTS TO NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANISATIONS

1965. Hon Sue Ellery to the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Health

I refer to payments to non Government (not for profit) organisations, and I ask —

- (1) What is the Department's policy on timing of payments for grants or contracted services?
- (2) Does the Department meet its own policy objectives to the non Government organisations?
- (3) Have any non Government organisations complained about late payment of grants or regular contract payments in the period 1 March 2009 to 1 March 2010?
- (4) How many grant or contract payments have been made late in the period 1 March 2009 to 1 March 2010?

Hon SIMON O'BRIEN replied:

- (1) The timing of payments is set out in the service agreement between the Department of Health (DOH) and the non government organisation (NGO) concerned. Service agreements require the NGO to issue an invoice and for DOH to pay within 10 working days, unless there is an agreed variance to this clause. DOH policy is to make payments in accordance with the terms of the service agreement.
- (2) Yes.
- (3) Yes, one.
- (4) Five.