

PERTH CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL — MENTAL HEALTH UNIT

1676. Hon Steve Martin to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Health:

I refer to Perth Children's Hospital Ward 5A, and ask:

- (a) was there a disturbance in the ward in 2022 that required police attendance;
- (b) if yes to (a), what was the nature of the disturbance;
- (c) have any investigations been undertaken into the disturbance;
- (d) if yes to the (c), what were the recommendations and have they been implemented in full;
- (e) were any staff or patients injured during the disturbance; and
- (f) what was the cost of repairs following the disturbance?

Hon Sue Ellery replied:

- (a) Yes.
- (b) The incident involved six patients attempting to abscond, and damaging property.
- (c) Yes. The incident was reported as a SAC 1 clinical incident and a panel of four clinicians including an interstate consultant psychiatrist conducted a root cause analysis.
- (d) Four recommendations were delivered. All recommendations have been completed including:
 - Development of a new Model of Care.
 - Review of the daily morning multidisciplinary meeting structure;
 - Revision of ward governance including an escalation pathway for clinical and staff concerns; and
 - Establishment of joint learning sessions addressing mandatory training, trauma-informed care, skills development in managing young people with emotional dysregulation, clinical skills training, reflective learning, and clinical supervision.
- (e) No patients were injured during the incident. Three members of Staff sustained minor physical injuries.
- (f) \$4300.51 inc GST