

GRAYLANDS HOSPITAL — DEATHS — INVESTIGATION

856. Hon LJILJANNA RAVLICH to the Attorney General:

Can the Attorney General please confirm that the coroner's office is investigating numerous deaths at Graylands Hospital that occurred between 2007 and 2012; and, if so, list the terms of reference for that investigation?

Hon MICHAEL MISCHIN replied:

I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question. I can confirm that the coroner is currently reviewing nine cases relating to deaths at Graylands Hospital, with a view to conducting inquest hearings into those deaths. Inquests into two of those matters were commenced in August 2012 and have been adjourned to December 2012. All these matters were reported to the coroner under section 22(1)(a) of the Coroners Act 1996 and are deemed to be mandatory inquests. Under section 25(3) of the Coroners Act 1996, the coroner must comment on the quality of the supervision, treatment and care of the person while in care.