

**STANDING COMMITTEE ON ESTIMATES AND FINANCIAL OPERATIONS  
ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS FOR HEARING WITH THE  
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH HELD ON  
MONDAY, 23 NOVEMBER 2009**

HON LJILJANNA RAVLICH MLC ASKED:

*What procedures/controls have been put in place to ensure that in future restricted funds are spent only for their approved purpose?*

**ANSWER:**

WA Health is developing a monthly report which will show restricted cash required to be held and show cash actually held. This report will form an additional control and will be forwarded to the Chief Finance Officer each month. Required restricted cash balances will always be maintained.

This report is in development and will be run in January 2010 for December 2009 and prior months. The OAG will monitor and undertake testing in January 2010 with a view to determining whether the Metropolitan Health Service qualification on use of restricted cash should be removed.