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Mental Health

Questions from the Hon Jan Barham MLC

1. The NSW Mental Health Commission's *Living Well in Our Community* paper from 2013 noted that "each year in NSW, around one million people have a mental illness. Only 350,000 of these people actually receive assistance." If we are only managing to reach and deliver 35% of the population who could benefit from services, what is the Government doing to increase the availability of mental health services?
2. The Budget papers indicate that \$35 million has been allocated to support the implementation of the *Living Well* mental health strategy. Can you provide some detail about what the funding is being allocated to and how the implementation of the strategy is proceeding?
3. Given the relatively high incidence of mental ill health among clients of Family and Community Services, what involvement does FACS have in the implementation of the mental health strategy and what funding arrangements or interdepartmental arrangements are in place to ensure FACS is adequately resourced and prepared to provide appropriate supports to their clients when mental health issues may arise?
4. The Mental Health Commission budget has fallen by around 7%, from \$10.7 million to \$9.9 million. Can you explain the decline in the budget for the Commission?
5. Regional areas face particular challenges with mental health for a number of reasons – firstly because the services people need aren't available in their community, but also because stigma, socialisation and other factors can worsen and compound the problems people face. Can you give some detail about what the Government is doing to make sure regional and rural communities can access the prevention, early intervention and sub-acute support services when they need them?
6. The *Living Well* strategy recommends engaging with and involving Aboriginal communities in planning and delivering mental health support. Has there been any work done on finding connections between *Living Well* and OCHRE through programs such as the Local Decision Making pilots?
7. How is the Government approaching issues relating to the impact of trauma on mental health, including the impacts of child abuse, domestic violence and other sources of historical trauma. Unfortunately some of these issues are particularly frequent among Aboriginal communities due to the history of Aboriginal dispossession, mistreatment and disadvantage. But specialised supports are often lacking, especially again in regional areas. Can you give some detail about how the Government is approaching these difficult issues of providing specialist and trauma-informed care and treatment?

8. Given the freeze on mental health funding as announced in the Federal 2015 budget, how will NSW make up the shortfall in funding so that existing services are not degraded?
9. Will an Action Plan, arising from the Strategic Plan be developed by government, and if so when will this be released?
10. In the light of the lessons from the implementation of the Inquiry into Health Services for the Psychiatrically Ill and Developmentally Disabled (Richmond Report) in the 1980s, and given the Strategy's own admission 'for many years governments have underinvested in mental health, particularly in community mental health',
 - (a) How much actual funding is being directed this year and in subsequent years to sufficiently strengthen the community based mental health services and allied services so that the mental health patients transferring from institutional care are adequately cared for in the community?
 - (b) What steps are being taken now to set up, train and support the services that will take over the intensive day to day care of these patients who have been transferred to community care and how much funding has been allocated to this, in this and future budgets?
 - (c) Does the Government allow for the probability that there will be some patients, in addition to the forensic patients at Morisset and Cumberland, (p61) that are unable to be discharged from full time residential care, and what provisions are being made for this group?
 - (d) How will these patients be housed if the 'remaining stand-alone psychiatric institutions' are closed and presumably sold off? (see p 60 'funds from their sale or re-use).
11. Given that the Living Well Strategy (page 5) looks to shifting from 'crisis-driven responses towards prevention and early intervention',
 - (a) Is there additional funding for prevention and early intervention so that the crisis-driven services are not further depleted of any funding?
 - (b) What additional funding and what programs are to be introduced, especially in the area of adolescent mental health to prevent the onset of serious mental illness?
12. Given the Government's poor track record in even face-to-face assessment of children deemed to be at substantial risk of neglect and or abuse, and given the well documented negative emotional effects of physical, sexual and emotional abuse as well as neglect, on especially young children, how does the Government intend to raise the standards of its own intervention with these vulnerable children so that they are less likely to go down the path of mental instability?
13. Page 22 of the Living Well Strategy Report expresses NSW Health's commitment to 'expand its workforce to have one Aboriginal mental health worker for every 1000 Aboriginal people'.

- (a) What is the ratio at the present time of Aboriginal mental health worker to Aboriginal total population in NSW?
 - (b) What is the plan, year by year, so that the extra Aboriginal mental health workers will be trained and available so as to reach this target by 2024?
14. Given that the Living Well Strategy anticipates that there will be a need for carers of people who have more intense levels of mental illness, what plans and what level of funding has the Government put in place to address the needs for more support for these carers, especially the provision of respite care?.
15. How does the Government intend to redress the lack in NSW of detox units and rehabilitation services for people who are ready to go through the long process of changing drug-using habits, especially accommodating those who have accompanying mental health issues? What extra funding this year and in future years is being committed to these services?

Questions from Hon Shaoquett Moselmane MLC

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Departmental/Agency IT

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Efficiency Dividend

- 77. What was the efficiency dividend required of the department in the 2014/15 financial year?
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- 79. What savings measures were implemented by the Department for:
 - (a) 2014/15 financial year
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 - (c) 2012/13 financial year?
- 80. What actual savings were achieved by each strategy in:
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- 81. What reduction of staff occurred and at what cost as a result of each strategy in:
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- 82. For the 2015/16 financial year:
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187. What non-standard features are fitted to your ministerial vehicle?
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- (c) The average tenure period for an employee provided by a labour hire company
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- (e) The duties conducted by employees engaged through a labour hire company
- (f) The office locations of employees engaged through a labour hire company
- (g) The highest hourly or daily rate paid to an employee provided by a labour hire company

Media And Public Relations

189. How many media or public relations advisers are employed for each of your portfolio agencies?
190. What is the forecast for the current financial year for the number of media or public relations advisers to be employed and their total cost?
191. What is the total cost of media monitoring services used by Departments/agencies within your portfolio responsibilities?
192. Have you had media training or speech training?
- (a) If yes, who paid for it?
- (b) If paid by taxpayers, what was the amount?

Consultants, Lobbyists And Former Parliamentarians

193. Have you, your office or your Departmental Officers had any meetings with former MP Chris Hartcher in the time since he has left the Parliament?
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202. Has the consultancy company Premier State done any consultancy work for the Department? If so what projects was Premier State consulted on?
- (a) What was the cost of the consultancy work for each project?
 - (b) Was there a tender process for these projects?

203. Does Premier State currently have any contract work with the Departments/agencies under your portfolio responsibility?
- (a) If yes, what is their role in the project?

Consulting

204. How much have the Department/agencies under your portfolio responsibility spent in legal costs?
- (a) For what specific purposes or matters was legal advice sought?
205. Have Department/agencies under your portfolio engaged any consultants to provide the following services or advice:
- (a) Social media
 - i. And the cost of these services
 - (b) Photography
 - i. And the cost of these services
 - (c) Acting training
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 - (d) Ergonomics
 - i. And the cost of these services

Department/Agency Administration

206. How many redundancies were processed by Departments/agencies within your portfolio responsibilities during 2014-15?
- (a) Of these redundancies, how many were:
 - i. Voluntary
 - ii. Forced
 - (b) What was the total cost of all redundancies?
207. Have any staff who received a redundancy in the last two years undertaken any paid work or provided any paid services for the agency with which they were formerly employed?
- (a) What was the nature of these works/services?
 - (b) What was the total cost of these works or services?
208. Are any staff formerly employed by your ministerial office now employed by Departments/agencies under your portfolio responsibility?
209. How many staff were dismissed from Departments/agencies under your portfolio responsibilities in 2014-15?
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210. How much was spent on corporate hospitality by Departments/agencies within your portfolio responsibilities during 2014-2015?
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212. How much did Departments/agencies within your portfolio responsibilities spend on restaurant bills during the year 2014/2015?
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- (b) How many of the fleet were involved in an accident during the year 2014-2015?
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- (a) What is their remuneration band?
- (b) For each SES employee, how many have:
- i. 0 staff reporting to them;
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218. Do any of the departments/agencies under your portfolio area employ actors for staff training?
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Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault

Questions from Dr Mehreen Faruqi

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- 274. Have any of your overseas trips in the past year been paid for in part or in full by using public money?
 - (a) If so, did any of your relatives or friends accompany you on these trips?
- 275. Have you undertaken any official overseas travel that was privately funded?
 - (a) What were the nature of these trips?
 - (b) Who paid for these trips?
- 276. What was the total bill for your office in 2014-15 for:
 - (a) Taxi hire
 - (b) Limousine hire
 - (c) Private hire care
 - (d) Hire car rental
- 277. Have you ever used Uber?
 - (a) If yes, were any of these occasions in an UberX vehicle?
- 278. Have you or anyone in your office used Uber services travelling to or from work-related events, meetings or functions?
 - (a) Were any of those services in an UberX vehicle?
- 279. Have you or anyone in your office sought reimbursement for using Uber services to travel to or from work-related events, meetings or functions?
 - (a) What is the value of those reimbursements?
- 280. Have you used Airbnb?
- 281. Have you or anyone in your office used Airbnb as an accommodation solution whilst travelling on official business?
- 282. Have any planes or helicopters been chartered by you or your office and paid for with public money?
 - (a) If yes, will you please detail each trip, the method of transport and the cost?

283. What non-standard features are fitted to your ministerial vehicle?
(a) What is the cost of each non-standard feature?

Labour Hire Firms

284. Do any Departments/agencies within your portfolio responsibilities utilise the services of Labour Hire Firms? If yes, please advise in table form:
- (a) The names of the firms utilised
 - (b) The total amount paid to each firm engaged
 - (c) The average tenure period for an employee provided by a labour hire company
 - (d) The longest tenure for an employee provided by a labour hire company
 - (e) The duties conducted by employees engaged through a labour hire company
 - (f) The office locations of employees engaged through a labour hire company
 - (g) The highest hourly or daily rate paid to an employee provided by a labour hire company

Media And Public Relations

285. How many media or public relations advisers are employed for each of your portfolio agencies?
286. What is the forecast for the current financial year for the number of media or public relations advisers to be employed and their total cost?
287. What is the total cost of media monitoring services used by Departments/agencies within your portfolio responsibilities?
288. Have you had media training or speech training?
(a) If yes, who paid for it?
(b) If paid by taxpayers, what was the amount?

Consultants, Lobbyists And Former Parliamentarians

289. Have you, your office or your Departmental Officers had any meetings with former MP Chris Hartcher in the time since he has left the Parliament?
(a) Who attended those meetings?
(b) What was the nature of those meetings?
(c) What was discussed?
(d) Were any records of those meetings kept?
290. Have you, your office or your Departmental Officers had any meetings with former MP Andrew Stoner in the time since he has left the Parliament?
(a) Who attended those meetings?
(b) What was the nature of those meetings?
(c) What was discussed?
(d) Were any records of those meetings kept?
291. Have you, your office or your Departmental Officers had any meetings with former MP Tim Owen in the time since he has left the Parliament?
(a) Who attended those meetings?
(b) What was the nature of those meetings?
(c) What was discussed?

- (d) Were any records of those meetings kept?
292. Have you, your office or your Departmental Officers had any meetings with former MP Craig Baumann in the time since he has left the Parliament?
- (a) Who attended those meetings?
 - (b) What was the nature of those meetings?
 - (c) What was discussed?
 - (d) Were any records of those meetings kept?
293. Have you, your office or your Departmental Officers had any meetings with former MP Andrew Cornwell in the time since he has left the Parliament?
- (a) Who attended those meetings?
 - (b) What was the nature of those meetings?
 - (c) What was discussed?
 - (d) Were any records of those meetings kept?
294. Have you, your office or your Departmental Officers had any meetings with former MP Chris Spence in the time since he has left the Parliament?
- (a) Who attended those meetings?
 - (b) What was the nature of those meetings?
 - (c) What was discussed?
 - (d) Were any records of those meetings kept?
295. Have you, your office or your Departmental Officers had any meetings with former MP Darren Webber in the time since he has left the Parliament?
- (a) Who attended those meetings?
 - (b) What was the nature of those meetings?
 - (c) What was discussed?
 - (d) Were any records of those meetings kept?
296. Have you, your office or your Departmental Officers had any meetings with former MP Garry Edwards in the time since he has left the Parliament?
- (a) Who attended those meetings?
 - (b) What was the nature of those meetings?
 - (c) What was discussed?
 - (d) Were any records of those meetings kept?
297. Have you, your office or your Departmental Officers had any meetings with former MP Bart Bassett in the time since he has left the Parliament?
- (a) Who attended those meetings?
 - (b) What was the nature of those meetings?
 - (c) What was discussed?
 - (d) Were any records of those meetings kept?
298. Has the consultancy company Premier State done any consultancy work for the Department? If so what projects was Premier State consulted on?
- (a) What was the cost of the consultancy work for each project?
 - (b) Was there a tender process for these projects?
299. Does Premier State currently have any contract work with the Departments/agencies under your portfolio responsibility?
- (a) If yes, what is their role in the project?

Consulting

300. How much have the Department/agencies under your portfolio responsibility spent in legal costs?
- (a) For what specific purposes or matters was legal advice sought?
301. Have Department/agencies under your portfolio engaged any consultants to provide the following services or advice:
- (a) Social media
 - i. And the cost of these services
 - (b) Photography
 - i. And the cost of these services
 - (c) Acting training
 - i. And the cost of these services
 - (d) Ergonomics
 - i. And the cost of these services

Department/Agency Administration

302. How many redundancies were processed by Departments/agencies within your portfolio responsibilities during 2014-15?
- (a) Of these redundancies, how many were:
 - i. Voluntary
 - ii. Forced
 - (b) What was the total cost of all redundancies?
303. Have any staff who received a redundancy in the last two years undertaken any paid work or provided any paid services for the agency with which they were formerly employed?
- (a) What was the nature of these works/services?
 - (b) What was the total cost of these works or services?
304. Are any staff formerly employed by your ministerial office now employed by Departments/agencies under your portfolio responsibility?
305. How many staff were dismissed from Departments/agencies under your portfolio responsibilities in 2014-15?
- (a) What were the reason/s for each dismissal?
306. How much was spent on corporate hospitality by Departments/agencies within your portfolio responsibilities during 2014-2015?
307. How much was spent on indoor plant hire and maintenance by Departments/agencies within your portfolio responsibilities during 2014-2015 year?
308. How much did Departments/agencies within your portfolio responsibilities spend on restaurant bills during the year 2014/2015?
- (a) How much of these bills were alcohol?
309. Were instances of internal fraud detected by Departments/agencies within your portfolio responsibilities during 2014-2015?
- (a) What was the sum total of any such fraud and what was the result of any investigations?
310. How large is the Department's vehicle fleet?
- (a) What is the composition of this fleet in terms of engine size?
 - (b) How many of the fleet were involved in an accident during the year 2014-2015?

- (c) What was the total cost of insurance claims and repairs?
- 311. How much did departments/agencies spend on newspaper and journal subscriptions during 2014-2015?
- 312. How many SES employees are employed within departments/agencies under your ministerial portfolio?
 - (a) What is their remuneration band?
 - (b) For each SES employee, how many have:
 - i. 0 staff reporting to them;
 - ii. less than 2 staff reporting to them; and
 - iii. less than 5 staff?
- 313. How many sick days, leave days or days attributable to workers compensation were lost for each department/agency within your portfolio responsibility during 2014-15 for:
 - (a) workplace bullying;
 - (b) stress leave; and
 - (c) sick leave?
- 314. Do any of the departments/agencies under your portfolio area employ actors for staff training?
 - (a) If so, what is:
 - i. the size of the contract for the provision of actors for staff training in your departments?
 - ii. the term of the contracts for the provision of actors for staff training in your departments?
 - iii. the tender numbers for each of the contracts?

Department/Agency Travel

- 315. What was the total expenditure in 2014-15 by Departments/agencies within your portfolio on:
 - (a) Taxi hire
 - (b) Limousine/private car hire
 - (c) Hire car rental
- 316. Do the Departments/agencies within your portfolio have a policy on utilising Uber services for travel on official business?
- 317. Have staff in your Department/agencies either paid for with departmental funds or been recompensed for official travel using Uber services?
 - (a) Were any of these payments for UberX services?
- 318. Have staff in your Department/agencies either paid for with departmental funds or been recompensed for official travel using Airbnb services?
- 319. Did any officers within departments/agencies under your ministerial portfolio use charter aircraft during the year 2014-2015?
 - (a) If so what was the purpose and cost?

Departmental/Agency IT

- 320. Do the Departments/agencies within your portfolio have an iTunes account?
 - (a) What was the total expenditure in 2014-15 on iTunes?
 - i. What applications/subscriptions/services were purchased through iTunes?
- 321. Do the Departments/agencies within your portfolio have an Android account?
 - (a) What was the total expenditure in 2014-15 on Android?

- i. What applications/subscriptions/services were purchased through Android?
- 322. How many Department/agency mobile phones, tablets and laptops were replaced due to loss or damage during 2014-2015?
 - (a) What was the total cost of replacing these items?
- 323. Did any staff within departments/agencies within your portfolio responsibilities incur data charges on a mobile phone or tablet device greater than \$1000 for a single billing period?
 - (a) If so, how many times did this occur?
 - i. What was the individual cost of each data charge over \$1000 for a single billing period?

Efficiency Dividend

- 324. What was the efficiency dividend required of the department in the 2014/15 financial year?
- 325. What is the efficiency dividend required of the department in the 2015/16 financial year?
- 326. What savings measures were implemented by the Department for:
 - (a) 2014/15 financial year
 - (b) 2013/14 financial year
 - (c) 2012/13 financial year?
- 327. What actual savings were achieved by each strategy in:
 - (a) 2014/15 financial year
 - (b) 2013/14 financial year
 - (c) 2012/13 financial year?
- 328. What reduction of staff occurred and at what cost as a result of each strategy in:
 - (a) 2014/15 financial year
 - (b) 2013/14 financial year
 - (c) 2012/13 financial year?
- 329. For the 2015/16 financial year:
 - (a) What savings measures will the Department save?
 - (b) What is the expected saving to be achieved for each measure?
 - (c) Will they require a reduction in staffing?
 - (d) How many positions within the Department remain unfilled due to the imposition of savings measures?