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Ms Tanya Bosch  
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Dear Ms Bosch

I refer to your letter of 21 December 2004 regarding questions taken on notice during the Budget Estimates Hearing on 20 December 2004.

Reverend the Hon Dr Moyes MLC asked a question which was taken on notice relating to the number of nurses re-employed under the Nurse Reconnect Program and the costs involved to date.

I can advise that approximately \$4.5 million (exclusive of GST) has been spent on the Nurse Reconnect Program since its inception in January 2002. As at the end of December 2004 the number of nurses employed by NSW Health as a result of the program was 1,171.

Yours sincerely

Robyn Kruk  
**Director General**