

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES
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QUESTION SUBMITTED ON MONDAY 3rd APRIL 2023
ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON WEDNESDAY 12th APRIL 2023**

Question

“Further to her answer to [Oral Question 12/2023](#) concerning the Comptroller and Auditor General’s report ‘[Deployment of Staff Resources in Health and Community Services](#)’ dated 24th January 2023, and recommendations 6 and 7 to “review the arrangements for the funding of clinical negligence insurance to ensure that they match the objectives of future clinical models and the future private patient strategy” and to “develop, publish and implement a Government of Jersey private patient strategy”; will the Minister advise –

- (a) if she accepts recommendation 6 and 7 of the report; and
- (b) why, in relation to certain of the recommendations in the report that refer back some 2 or 3 years, no actions have been taken?”

Answer

a) The HCS Executive have accepted recommendations 6 & 7 in response to the Comptroller and Auditor General’s report . The Minister too accepts the recommendations.

b) HCS advises that there have been many compounding factors over the past 2 years which have impeded the implementation of the recommendations, with the pandemic completely changing how all areas of HCS have had to operate.

Since the publication of the C&AGs report titled ‘Deployment of Staff Resources in Health and Community Services’, the older recommendations referred to in the report on pages 29-31 have been closed and superseded by the recommendations from this report. The development of a Private Patient policy is also a ministerial priority for 2023 . In addition, the report into Governance Arrangements in Secondary Care also made recommendations in relation to this area with work currently underway to address these within 2023.

¹ ‘Deployment of Staff Resources in Health and Community Services: Executive Response’ ([R.7/2023\(Res\)](#)), presented by the Public Accounts Committee. States Assembly.

¹ See ‘MHSS P2.a.2.2’, [Delivery Plan: Minister for Health and Social Services](#), Government of Jersey.

¹ ‘Review of Health and Community Services (HCS) Clinical Governance Arrangements within Secondary Care’ ([R.117/2022](#)), presented by the Minister for Health and Social Services, States Assembly