

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES
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ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 7th JUNE 2011**

Question

Further to the response given to my oral question on 17th May 2011 by the Assistant Minister, when she stated that the contracted postholder for the Head of Nursing for Emergency and Unscheduled Care was still in post 'being paid exactly what he was under his fixed term contract', would the Minister state what is the current employment status of this individual, given that his contract expired at the end of April 2011, what salary is being paid and what expenses, if any, are being met?

Would she identify where and when the substantive post has been advertised, the closing date for applications and when and where interviews are to be held?

Answer

The current post-holder was initially appointed on six month fixed term contract which was due to expire at the end of April 2011. This contract has been extended to 25th July 2011 to allow HSSD time to recruit a substantive postholder.

As previously stated in response to Question 6287 on 17 May the current postholder is paid a Nursing Grade 8 salary and has been paid that salary throughout the whole period of employment. The substantive post will also be a Nursing Grade 8.

The Department has been clearly instructed by State's Human Resources not to release information into the public domain which breaches duty of care to an individual employee or creates potential data protection problems. States Members requiring access to such information may wish to seek clarification on best practice from the Chief Minister's Department.

The substantive post has been advertised internally within Health and Social Services with external adverts appearing in *Nursing Standard* and *the Royal College of Nursing Magazine* on 1st June 2011, in addition to the external Jersey Nursing Website www.jerseyurses.org and the www.workingforjersey.gov.je. It was originally envisaged that HSSD would advertise the post the week commencing 16 May but this was delayed to fit the publication schedule of the *Royal College of Nursing Magazine*.

The closing date for applications is 15th June 2011. Interviews will be held on 4th July in Jersey.