

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION APPLICATION - GENDER DIVERSITY SERVICES Questions as Raised by Mr Greg Donnelly

1) As at 24 September 2020 how many children and adolescents who are transgender or gender diverse are receiving treatments at the PCH GDS?

As at 24/9/2020 total numbers (both referred and active) were: 432. This includes patients at all stages of assessment, from initial referral onwards.

- a. the number of those whose birth assigned sex was female? 319
- b. the number of those whose birth assigned sex was male? 113
- c. the number of those who were born intersex? -0
- 2) As at 24th September 2020, how many children and adolescents, who are transgender or gender diverse, are receiving stage one puberty blocker treatment at the Perth Children's **Hospital Gender Diversity Service?**

As at 24/9/2020, a total of 48 adolescents were on stage 1 puberty suppression treatment. Please note that puberty suppression is only commenced after puberty has begun (that is, the young person has entered adolescence); hence by definition, young people receiving puberty suppression are properly called adolescents.

- a. the number of those whose birth assigned sex was female? 29
- b. the number of those whose birth assigned sex was male? 19
- c. the number of those who were born intersex? -0
- 3) As at 24th September 2020, how many children and adolescents, who are transgender or gender diverse, are receiving stage two gender affirming hormone treatment at the Perth **Children's Hospital Gender Diversity Service?**

As at 24/9/2020, a total of 63 adolescents were on stage 2 estrogen or testosterone gender affirming treatment.

- a. the number of those whose birth assigned sex was female? 48
- b. the number of those whose birth assigned sex was male? 15
- c. the number of those who were born intersex? 0

We note that the Gender Diversity Service is a transgender health service, not an intersex service, and the vast majority of patients referred to the GDS do not have any difference of genital sexual development or difference of their chromosomes (the vast majority are not intersex).



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4) As at 24th September 2020, how many employees including consultants (measured as full-time equivalents (FTEs)) worked at the Perth Children's Hospital Gender Diversity Service?

As at 24/09/2020 employees were as below:

- 0.4 FTE Consultant Child and Adolescent Psychiatrist
- 0.45 FTE Consultant Endocrinologist
- 0.1 FTE Consultant Reproductive Medicine Specialist for fertility preservation counselling
- 0.6 FTE Senior Clinical Psychologist
- 0.4 FTE Clinical Psychologist Grade 2
- 0.1 FTE Speech Pathologist (Speech Therapist)
- 0.1 FTE Service Manager
- 0.1 FTE Clinical Nurse Specialist
- 0.9 FTE Research Officer
- 1.0 FTE Administration Assistant