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Dear Mr Cowley-Grimmond

Specialist Outpatient Waiting List Data

I refer to your letter dated 15 August 2005 (received by this office by facsimile on 23 August 2005) requesting Specialist Outpatient Waiting List data for the years ended 1 July 2001 to 2003. The data is attached.

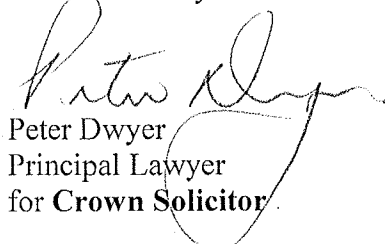
I am instructed that the data collected was, at the relevant time, limited to:

- next available appointment for each clinical speciality; and
- number of patients with and without appointments for each clinical speciality.

I am further instructed that the data was provided by the reporting hospitals (those with specialist outpatient clinics) through manual data collection methods and, as a result, the validity and reliability of the outpatient data provided by the reporting hospitals was considered questionable. The data was not validated.

The 2004 data collection resulting in the July 2004 data provided to the Commission on 11 August 2005 was based on a larger number of data items and a specific survey tool which requested more specific and detailed data.

Yours faithfully


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Number of Patients Waiting for Specialist Outpatients Appointments by Clinic Type Grouping - Queensland Reporting Hospitals - 1 July 2001

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Facility	Surgical	Medical	Obstetrics/ Gynaecology	Paediatric	Psychiatric	Total
Atherton Hospital	0	15	0	10	0	25
Bundaberg Hospital	940	117	114	12	0	1,183
Caboolture Hospital	174	140	318	51	0	683
Cairns Base Hospital	413	127	62	69	0	671
Caloundra General Hospital	161	60	51	0	0	272
Emerald Hospital	47	0	219	0	0	266
Gladstone Hospital	122	130	51	0	0	303
Gold Coast Hospital	975	379	291	0	0	1,645
Gympie General Hospital	0	0	26	0	0	26
Hervey Bay Hospital	59	141	498	46	0	744
Innisfail Hospital	26	12	0	4	0	42
Ipswich Hospital	1,393	240	264	50	0	1,947
Kingaroy Hospital	54	24	80	0	12	170
Logan Hospital	1,468	669	714	132	0	2,983
Mackay Base Hospital	732	200	10	0	0	942
Mareeba Hospital	22	30	0	6	0	58
Maryborough Base Hospital	306	114	26	27	0	473
Water Adults Hospital	1,895	732	163	0	0	2,790
Water Children's Hospital	0	0	0	2,317	0	2,317
Mt Isa Hospital	1,147	840	541	155	0	2,683
Nambour Hospital	968	426	166	39	0	1,599
Princess Alexandra Hospital	4,440	1,454	155	0	0	6,049
QELI Hospital	3,514	714	137	0	0	4,365
Redcliffe Hospital	2,773	281	316	54	0	3,424
Rockhampton Hospital	1,497	150	182	76	0	1,905
Royal Brisbane Hospital	5,581	1,828	0	0	0	7,409
Royal Children's Hospital	0	0	0	939	0	939
Royal Women's Hospital	0	0	0	0	0	0
The Prince Charles Hospital	561	410	0	34	11	1,016
The Townsville Hospital	1,305	440	1,237	29	0	3,011
Toowoomba Base Hospital	1,542	69	266	59	0	1,936
Total	32,115	9,742	5,887	4,109	23	51,876

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Number of Patients Waiting for Specialist Outpatients Appointments by Clinic Type Grouping - Queensland Reporting Hospitals - 1 July 2002

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Facility	Surgical	Medical	Obstetrics/ Gynaecology	Paediatric	Psychiatric	Total
Atherton Hospital	37	17	17	20	0	91
Bundaberg Hospital	865	214	266	21	0	1,366
Caboolture Hospital	167	148	290	51	0	656
Cairns Base Hospital	413	127	62	69	0	671
Caloundra General Hospital	183	66	45	0	0	294
Emerald Hospital	138	0	313	1	0	452
Gladstone Hospital	80	106	34	0	0	220
Gold Coast Hospital	975	379	291	0	0	1,645
Gympie General Hospital	47	0	0	0	0	47
Hervey Bay Hospital	28	206	478	82	0	794
Innisfail Hospital	32	19	9	4	0	64
Ipswich Hospital	2,041	250	206	40	0	2,537
Kingaroy Hospital	54	49	46	0	8	157
Logan Hospital	1,962	1,285	618	626	0	4,491
Mackay Base Hospital	732	200	10	0	0	942
Mareeba Hospital	15	21	0	57	0	93
Marborough Base Hospital	223	115	29	23	0	390
Mater Adults Hospital	1,635	382	123	0	0	2,140
Mater Children's Hospital	0	0	0	1,936	0	1,936
Mt Isa Hospital	1,147	840	541	155	0	2,683
Nambour Hospital	1,129	347	201	48	0	1,725
Princess Alexandra Hospital	3,823	1,454	155	0	0	5,432
QEI Hospital	3,514	714	137	0	0	4,365
Redcliffe Hospital	2,714	311	312	82	0	3,419
Rockhampton Hospital	1,334	286	23	61	0	1,704
Royal Brisbane Hospital	6,427	1,871	0	0	0	8,298
Royal Children's Hospital	0	0	0	1,196	0	1,196
Royal Women's Hospital	0	3	999	0	0	1,002
The Prince Charles Hospital	570	381	0	40	27	1,018
The Townsville Hospital	1,305	440	1,187	29	0	2,961
Toowoomba Base Hospital	1,542	69	266	59	0	1,936
Total	33,132	10,300	6,658	4,600	35	54,725

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 Number of Patients Waiting for Specialist Outpatients Appointments by Clinic Type Grouping - Queensland Reporting Hospitals - 1 July 2003

Facility	Surgical	Medical	Obstetrics/ Gynaecology	Paediatric	Psychiatric	Total
Atherton Hospital	0	30	27	0	0	57
Bundaberg Hospital	865	214	266	0	0	1,345
Caboolture Hospital	167	148	290	0	0	605
Cairns Base Hospital	413	127	62	6	0	608
Caloundra General Hospital	183	66	45	0	0	294
Emerald Hospital	68	0	322	1	0	391
Gladstone Hospital	178	149	42	0	0	369
Gold Coast Hospital	975	379	291	0	0	1,645
Gympie General Hospital	84	0	94	0	3	181
Hervey Bay Hospital	28	206	478	0	0	712
Innisfail Hospital	40	35	31	0	0	106
Ipswich Hospital	2,694	310	324	6	0	3,334
Kingaroy Hospital	97	84	79	0	10	270
Logan Hospital	2,304	1,451	596	63	0	4,414
Mackay Base Hospital	732	200	10	0	0	942
Mareeba Hospital	52	32	20	0	0	104
Maryborough Base Hospital	223	115	29	0	0	367
Mater Adults Hospital	1,635	382	123	0	0	2,140
Mater Children's Hospital	0	0	0	3,098	0	3,098
Mt Isa Hospital	1,147	840	541	0	0	2,528
Nambour Hospital	1,129	347	201	6	0	1,683
Princess Alexandra Hospital	3,823	1,454	155	0	0	5,432
QEII Hospital	3,514	714	137	0	0	4,365
Redcliffe Hospital	2,714	311	312	54	0	3,391
Rockhampton Hospital	1,334	286	23	0	0	1,643
Royal Brisbane Hospital	6,011	1,956	0	0	0	7,967
Royal Children's Hospital	0	0	0	895	0	895
Royal Women's Hospital	0	3	987	0	0	990
The Prince Charles Hospital	570	381	0	0	0	951
The Townsville Hospital	1,305	440	1,187	14	24	2,946
Toowoomba Base Hospital	1,542	69	266	0	0	1,877
Total	33,827	10,729	6,938	4,153	37	55,684

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Number of Patients Waiting for Specialist Outpatients Appointments - Queensland Reporting Hospitals.

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Clinic Type Group	1 July 2001			1 July 2002			1 July 2003		
	with appointment	without appointment	total	with appointment	without appointment	total	with appointment	without appointment	total
Surgical	18,646	13,469	32,115	19,050	14,082	33,132	19,083	14,744	33,827
Medical	7,844	1,898	9,742	8,143	2,157	10,300	8,275	2,454	10,729
Obstetrics/Gynaecology	4,625	1,262	5,887	5,800	858	6,658	6,068	870	6,938
Paediatric	2,791	1,318	4,109	2,917	1,683	4,600	2,702	1,451	4,153
Psychiatric	23	0	23	35	0	35	37	0	37
Total	33,929	17,947	51,876	35,945	18,780	54,725	36,165	19,519	55,684