

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES  
BY SENATOR S.C. FERGUSON  
ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 10th SEPTEMBER 2013**

**Question**

Would the Minister provide the following information in relation to a number of temporary consultants being employed on individual and block contracts to modernise, reform and update the health services -

- (a) how many temporary consultants are being employed;
- (b) how many are individually engaged and how many are working as part of a block contract to a single company;
- (c) what is their cost per contract;
- (d) what are the terms of employment and;
- (e) in what areas are they engaged?

**Answer**

Working to the States of Jersey definition of consultant, there are only 2 consultants deployed on individual contracts with external agencies to support modernisation and reform.

Specialist management support and consultancy in respect of reforming and modernising the Ambulance service, including ensuring an on-island succession plan for Chief Ambulance officer

- a) 1
- b) This is an individual contract with an external agency to provide a specialist Consultant on a temporary basis
- c) The Health and Social Services Department's contractual agreement with the agency in respect of the pay of the individual is at a total cost of £43,200 and provides for the Consultant's services for three days per week over a fixed period of 6 months.
- d) The Consultant is employed by the agency, not the Health and Social Services Department and, as such, Health and Social Services is not aware of the individual's terms of employment.
- e) Ambulance Department

**The advice and support supplied by this consultant has facilitated the successful appointment of a local candidate to the post of Chief Ambulance Officer.**

Pathology Modernisation Manager – consultant

- a) 1
- b) This is an individual contract with an external agency external agency to provide a specialist Consultant on a temporary basis
- c) The Health and Social Services Department's contractual agreement with the agency in respect of the pay of the individual is at a total cost of £98,700 and provides for the Consultant's services for a total of 141 days, over a fixed period of 9 months.
- d) The Consultant is employed by the agency not the Health and Social Services Department and, as such, Health and Social Services is not aware of the individual's terms of employment
- e) Pathology Department

**The current agreed contract is subject to further extension which has been agreed with The States Employment Board.**