

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE CHIEF MINISTER
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QUESTION SUBMITTED ON MONDAY 22nd APRIL 2024
ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON MONDAY 29th APRIL 2024**

Question

“Following the announcement that 6.08% of the Island’s working age population was being prescribed cannabis-based products for medicinal use, will the Chief Minister advise what consideration, if any, is being given to compulsory drug testing of certain professions (such as doctors, teachers, police officers, ambulance drivers and heavy goods drivers), and if not, why not?”

Answer

Compulsory and voluntary drug testing, depending on a person’s role and their capability, is being considered as part of a broader update of the Substance Misuse Policy which applies to all public servants. The specifics of the policy and its application in different sectors with respect to medicinal cannabis in particular is being developed with input from unions, staff groups and Occupational Health.