Renal Patients in Northern Tasmania – Facilities

Ms FINLAY question to MINISTER for HEALTH

My question is from a constituent in Bass, Mrs Gutteridge. She has deep and real concerns - and I understand you have had a phone call with her - about the condition for renal patients in northern Tasmania. She is particularly concerned about the impact of the facilities on their mental health as they are undergoing treatment. The proposed improvements to the Kings Meadows Health Centre, as an example, provides for 18 renal patients, but only has five windows. Mrs Gutteridge is particularly concerned about the impact on nursing staff and patients. She wants to understand whether you will meet with her and what you will do to appoint a renal dietician and a renal psychologist.