



**LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY**  
FOR THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

**QTON No. 20**

STANDING COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, AGEING AND COMMUNITY SERVICES  
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**Inquiry into referred 2016–17 Annual and Financial Reports**  
**ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**  
**16 November 2017**

Asked by MRS DUNNE:

In relation to: Total number of children in Out of Home Care with A Step Up For Our Kids:

1. Number of children entering Out of Home Care for the two years prior to the commencement of A Step Up For Our Kids.
2. Number of children entering Out of Home Care for the first year A Step Up For Our Kids.
3. Number of children entering Out of Home Care for the second year A Step Up For Our Kids.
4. Number of child concern reports and the number substantiated for the two years prior to the commencement of A Step Up For Our Kids.
5. Number of child concern reports and the number substantiated for the first year A Step Up For Our Kids.
6. Number of child concern reports and the number substantiated for the second year A Step Up For Our Kids.

MINISTER STEPHEN-SMITH: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:–

1. In 2013-14, there were 214 admissions into Out of Home Care and in 2014-15, there were 219 admissions into Out of Home Care.
2. In 2015-16, there were 208 admissions into Out of Home Care.
3. Current unpublished data indicates 196 admissions into Out of Home Care in 2016-17.
4. In 2013-14, Child and Youth Protection Services received 11,614 child concern reports with 411 substantiated. In 2014-15, Child and Youth Protection Services received 11,745 child concern reports with 532 substantiated.
5. In 2015-16, Child and Youth Protection Services received 16,162 child concern reports with 564 substantiated.
6. In 2016-17, Child and Youth Protection Services received 17,210 child concern reports with 498 being substantiated.

Approved for circulation to the Standing Committee on Health, Ageing and Community Services

Signature:

Date:

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By the Minister for Disability, Children and Youth, Minister Rachel Stephen-Smith MLA