

5580 (2025). On what dates since Monday 2 December 2024, if any, has the newly created children's area of the Palmerston North Emergency Department been open to receive patients?

Dates
24/12/2024
25/12/2024
26/12/2024
27/12/2024
28/12/2024
1/1/2025
21/1/2025
21/1/2025
26/1/2025
27/1/2025
14/2/2025
15/2/2025
16/02/2025
17/02/2025
18/02/2025
19/02/2025

Data extracted 24 February 2025.

Please note that the children's area of the ED may have been open on other days, however dates were not being captured effectively when the unit first opened. This issue has now been resolved.

As the Member will be aware, in October last year, the Government announced \$6 million in funding to support the Midcentral region to reduce stays in the emergency department. I am advised that recruitment started straight away and that it is ongoing while the facility builds up its staff.