

Parliament of Sint Maarten

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To the Hon. Minister of Public Health, Social Development and Labor Mr. R. Boasman
Government Administration Building
Philipsburg

UV/050/2015-2016

Philipsburg, October 27, 2015

Re: Reminder questions MP Leona M. Marlin-Romeo

Hon. Minister Boasman,

By letter of February 17, 2015 (UV/181/2014-2015) questions from Member of Parliament, Mrs. Leona M. Marlin-Romeo were forwarded to you for answering. To date Parliament has not received the answers to these questions.

Herewith I resubmit to you questions by the Member of Parliament, Mrs. Leona M. Marlin-Romeo pursuant to article 62 of the Constitution of Sint Maarten and article 69 of the Rules of Order of Parliament.

The letter is self-explanatory

S.A. Wescot-Williams
President of Parliament

From The Desk of Independent Member of Parliament Ingek.

Leona Marlin -Romeo

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Hon. President of Parliament

Sarah A. Wescott-Williams

On February 16th 2015 twelve questions were sent to the respective Minister of Health for answers related to SZV. Filed under # **IS 422.** As of present a response was not given so I am therefore resubmitting the questions by means of attaching the previous letter sent. It would be most appreciative for a reminder to be sent to the Minister of Health to provide answers to the questions posed.

Considering the time frame in which this request was sent, answers to the posed questions is being requested to be sent within 1 week of receiving this letter.

Respectively yours,

MP Marlin-Romeo

Independent Member of Parliament

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To the Chairman of Parliament Honorable Member of Parliament Lloyd Richardson Present

Monday, February 16, 2015



Through the Honorable President of Parliament I would like to request the following information and answers to the (SZV related) queries listed below from the responsible Minister.

- 1. What percentage of generic drugs are being used instead of brand name medication?
- 2. Is the quality and effectiveness of the medication compromised?
- 3. Has there been a comprehensive marketing/awareness plan on the usage of generic drugs for the general public?
- 4. Have there been any comparative studies on the usage of French brand-name medication instead of the Dutch/American/British brand name medication?
- 5. Is the French brand name medication cheaper than medication administered on Dutch Sint Maarten?
- 6. What is SZV and the ministers plans to introduce and implement preventive health care for the citizens of Sint Maarten?
- 7. Why is the travel stipends for medical referrals incompatible with the actual cost of travel accompdation?
- 8. How is this calculated? (g.6)
- 9. Will the travel stipends be increased for seniors and citizens that are in the lower income bracket?
- 10. What is the current plan of SZV to ensure that the citizens of Sint Maarten receive affordable health care from quality institutions? (related to medical referrals)
- 11. What screening is done or preventative measures are in place for undocumented patients with pre-existing medical conditions?
- 12. What are the financial consequences for SZV and the Government of Sint Maarten for q.11?

The aforementioned queries are being posed to the respective minister as numerous complaints from senior citizens and citizens in the lower income bracket have been posed to this Member of Parliament. The aforementioned questions are being queried for further study.

Hoping to have informed sufficiently in this matter,

With kind regards,

Leona Marlin Romeo

Independent Member of Parliament