

Australian Sterilisation Data Report

Report on tribunal and board-approved sterilisation of adults with cognitive impairment

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The table below contains statistics on the number of instances where state and territory tribunals have approved a sterilisation process during the period 1 January to 30 June 2016. This report is a follow-up to the 'National project on sterilisation data collection practices' report undertaken by the Australian Guardianship and Administration Council (AGAC) with funding from the federal Attorney-General's Department. That report and its appendices are available on the AGAC website (www.agac.org.au).

Adult sterilisation approvals between 1 January 2016 and 30 June 2016

Jurisdiction	Tribunal	Approvals
Australian Capital Territory	ACT Civil and Administrative Tribunal	0
New South Wales	NSW Civil and Administrative Tribunal	0
Queensland	Queensland Civil and Administrative Tribunal	1
South Australia	South Australian Civil and Administrative Tribunal	0
Tasmania	Guardianship and Administration Board	0
Victoria	Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal	1
Western Australia	State Administrative Tribunal	0
Total		2

Notes to accompany the table.

1. No figures are available for the Northern Territory. The Northern Territory Civil and Administrative Tribunal's guardianship jurisdiction only became operational in July 2016.
2. Both approvals concern women.

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