

WA COUNTRY HEALTH SERVICE — PATIENT INFORMATION

404. Hon COLIN de GRUSSA to the parliamentary secretary representing the Minister for Health:

I refer to WA Country Health Service's patient consent policies regarding the release of patient information to treating health practitioners.

- (1) Does WACHS accept the patient's written signed consent for the release of patient information to the patient's treating health practitioners?
- (2) If no to (1), why not?
- (3) If yes to (1), does WACHS require this practice to be followed by service providers and contractors to WACHS; and, if not, why not?
- (4) If yes to (3), how does WACHS enforce this?

Hon ALANNA CLOHESY replied:

I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question.

I have been advised by the WA Country Health Service that further time is required to answer this question. The information will be provided to the member by 13 May 2020.