

MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES — GREAT SOUTHERN

724. Hon COLIN de GRUSSA to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Mental Health:

I refer to mental health services in the great southern, including staff levels and wait times.

- (1) How many Medicare-registered psychiatrists and psychologists are there in —
 - (a) Albany;
 - (b) Denmark;
 - (c) Katanning;
 - (d) Kojonup;
 - (e) Gnowangerup; and
 - (f) Mount Barker?
- (2) What is the average wait time for a psychiatrist consultation and for a psychologist consultation in Albany?
- (3) Are there any known instances of qualified counsellors taking appointments when a psychiatrist or psychologist has not been available?

Hon SUE ELLERY replied:

In my capacity as Leader of the House I point out that in respect of part (3) of that question, it is unreasonable to expect that kind of detail to be provided within four hours. The minister's answer is that an answer will be provided on 15 September 2022.