

GRAYLANDS HOSPITAL — PSYCHIATRIC PRACTICE

252. Hon SALLY TALBOT to the Minister for Mental Health:

- (1) Has the minister seen a copy of the advice provided by the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency Australia in 2011, advising the Graylands Hospital doctor who has been operating in contravention of the Mental Health Act that he could “maintain to perform the functions of a psychiatrist”?
- (2) Will the minister table that advice; and, if not, why not?
- (3) Has the minister seen a copy of the authorisation in operation between 9 September 2004 and 18 October 2010 provided by the Medical Board of WA qualifying the Graylands Hospital doctor who has been operating in contravention of the Mental Health Act to carry out the functions of a psychiatrist under the Mental Health Act?
- (4) Will the minister table that authorisation; and, if not, why not?

Hon HELEN MORTON replied:

- (1)–(4) Yes. I table the attached documents.

I would like to take this opportunity to reiterate that the doctor concerned got approval from the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Authority, which is the authority that gives approval for psychiatrists to work, and that information is contained in one of the documents the member is about to receive. Obviously, the doctor’s name is not left on that document.

[See paper 358.]