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Hon Colin Tincknell; Hon Alanna Clohesy

HEALTH — NURSES AND SPECIALIST REHABILITATION BEDS

- 3254. Hon Colin Tincknell to the parliamentary secretary representing the Minister for Health:
- (1) What is the total number of nurses (FTE) employed by the Government, each year since 2016, distinguishing between Government employees and agency nurses?
- (2) What is the total number of nurses who have ceased employment with the Government each year since 2016?
- (3) What is the total number of nurses, distinguishing between Government employees and agency nurses, employed each year since 2016 at:
 - (a) Royal Perth Hospital;
 - (b) Sir Charles Gardner Hospital;
 - (c) Fremantle Hospital;
 - (d) Fiona Stanley Hospital;
 - (e) Peel Health Campus;
 - (f) St John of God Midland Public Hospital; and
 - (g) Princess Margaret Hospital/Perth Children's Hospital?
- (4) How many specialist rehabilitation beds are in existence in regional Western Australia and where are they located?

Hon Alanna Clohesy replied:

I am advised:

(1) Total number of nurses (FTE) employed by the Government, each year since 2016, distinguishing between Government employees and agency nurses:

Financial Year 2015–16: 12,837 Government employee nurses FTE and 249 agency nurses FTE Financial Year 2016–17: 13,169 Government employee nurses FTE and 242 agency nurses FTE Financial Year 2017–18: 13,617 Government employee nurses FTE and 251 agency nurses FTE Financial Year 2018–19: 13,920 Government employee nurses FTE and 285 agency nurses FTE Financial Year 2019–20: 14,460 Government employee nurses FTE and 238 agency nurses FTE

(2) Total number of nurses who have ceased employment with the Government each year since 2016:

Financial Year 2015–16 – 4,459 nurses

Financial Year 2016–17 – 2,468 nurses

Financial Year 2017–18 – 2,560 nurses

Financial Year 2018–19 – 2,614 nurses

Financial Year 2019–20 – 2,828 nurses

(3) (a) Royal Perth Hospital

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Government Employees	1,222.29	1,210.12	1,316.38	1,360.92	1,356.19
Agency Nurses	18.04	21.44	11.19	28.98	17.14

(b) Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Government Employees	1,589	1,615	1,625	1,627	1,655
Agency Nurses	22	18	15	22	18

(c) Fremantle Hospital

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Government Employees	529.55	529.41	551.20	537.58	539.01

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Agency Nurses	0.57	1.81	3.10	2.00	0.27

(d) Fiona Stanley Hospital

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Government Employees	1,835.19	1,878.87	1,941.03	1,947.14	2,007.10
Agency Nurses	42.44	20.28	27.01	25.03	24.30

(e)–(f) This data is not available for Peel Health Campus and St John of God Midland Public Hospital. They are both privately operated public hospitals and their employees are privately employed.

(g) PMH/PCH

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Government Employees	897.12	838.01	890.68	863.62	915.97
Agency Nurses	4.03	5.27	5.21	3.06	3.40

(4) Please see below table detailing specialist rehabilitation beds in existence in the WA Country Health Service:

Hospital/Health Service	Specialist Rehabilitation Beds
Albany Health Campus	15
Bunbury Hospital	15
Busselton Hospital	15
Geraldton Hospital	6
Northam	6
Narrogin	3