

PSYCHOTHERAPISTS — REGULATION AND LICENSING

2876. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Health

I refer to the answers to my questions of 16 and 21 September 2010, regarding unregulated psychotherapy, and noting that there is no immediate timeframe for protecting consumers of this industry, I ask —

What does the Minister intend to do in the immediate future to protect consumers and regulate this industry?

Hon SIMON O'BRIEN replied:

The Western Australian Office of Health Review may investigate complaints against unregulated psychotherapists.

The Office of Health Review accepts complaints about anyone who claims to provide a health service, public or private including alternate health care services.

Consumers can lodge a complaint with the Office of Health Review against an unregulated psychotherapist.