

WA COUNTRY HEALTH SERVICE — REFERRALS TO

1949. Hon Donna Faragher to the parliamentary secretary to the Minister for Health:

- (1) In 2023, how many referrals were made to the WA Country Health Service to provide assessment, early intervention and treatment services to children for the following services:
- (a) Audiology;
 - (b) Occupational Therapy;
 - (c) Paediatrician;
 - (d) Physiotherapy;
 - (e) Clinical Psychology; and
 - (f) Speech Pathology?
- (2) Of those referrals in (1), how many were submitted by:
- (a) a parent or legal guardian; and
 - (b) a professional?

Hon Pierre Yang replied:

(1)

| Discipline Name | Number of Referrals in 2023 |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| (a) Audiologist | 1,745 |
| (b) Occupational Therapist | 3,409 |
| (c) Paediatrician | 9,668 |
| (d) Physiotherapy | 2,502 |
| (e) Clinical Psychology | 475 |
| (f) Speech Pathology | 4,670 |

(2)

| Referrer | Number of Referrals in 2023 |
|------------------|-----------------------------|
| (a) Parent | 1,073 |
| (b) Professional | 21,396 |