

NURSES AND MIDWIVES — RECRUITMENT

622. Hon MARTIN ALDRIDGE to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Health:

I refer to the minister's media statement issued on 8 May 2023 titled "HECS help to grow WA's healthcare workforce".

- (1) How many public nursing and midwifery vacancies exist by FTE in regional WA?
- (2) How did the government arrive at 350 as being an appropriate number of nurses and midwives to support through this program?
- (3) How is the state government defining "newly qualified" nurses and midwives?
- (4) Please identify the priority locations to which the incentive will apply?

Hon JACKIE JARVIS replied:

I answer on behalf of the Leader of the House. I thank the member for some notice of the question. The following response has been provided by the Minister for Health.

To allow for a fulsome and accurate response, I request the member place their question on notice.