

CORONAVIRUS — VACCINATIONS — TARGET

**611. Ms M.J. DAVIES to the Premier:**

I have a supplementary question. What other targets have been set for the Vaccine Commander to meet, where are these targets published, and what happens if he is unable to meet the targets?

**The SPEAKER:** I just point out to the Leader of the Opposition that it is one question for a supplementary, not several questions.

**Mr M. McGOWAN replied:**

As I explained to the Leader of the Opposition, Commissioner Dawson is doing a fantastic job. I have a lot of faith in him. He is trying to get as many people vaccinated as possible, as quickly as possible. As I said to the Leader of the Opposition earlier, we expect to get to 80 per cent of the over-12 population during December. That is what we expect. The consequence of failing to meet that target will obviously be that it will push out the time frames for reopening our borders to New South Wales, Victoria and the ACT. That will be the ultimate consequence. We expect we will get there, and all our projections are heading in the right direction.

The good thing is, we have done a range of innovative things. Firstly, we have mandated vaccinations for large parts of the workforce. That causes a lot of angst for some people, but I urge people to just do the right thing. We have vaccines rolling out all the time for people throughout their lives, and this is no different for those people who are objecting or protesting. It is no different from what happens currently in schools, particularly with girls.

Secondly, we are putting vaccination clinics in place all over Western Australia—about 100 around the state, in all sorts of communities. The Brunswick Show is coming up shortly, and there will be a vaccination clinic at the show, in the member for Murray–Wellington’s electorate.

**Ms M.J. Davies** interjected.

**Mr M. McGOWAN:** Well, the Brunswick Show is still coming.

There will also be vaccination clinics in the member for Armadale’s electorate, at the shopping centre, and in the member for Mirrabooka’s electorate, also at the shopping centre and at the Herb Graham Recreation Centre. We are looking at other innovative places to locate them, which we will no doubt announce in due course.

We are also going to announce further mandating across workforces to get people vaccinated. These are tough things to do, but serious times call for serious measures, and that is what we are going to do. I just urge the Liberals and Nationals: if Nick Goiran is going to continue going out there and opposing vaccination, he should not be in this Parliament.

Several members interjected.

*Point of Order*

**Dr D.J. HONEY:** I have a point of order.

Several members interjected.

**The SPEAKER:** Members! Member for Southern River, as a previous Acting Speaker, you would know that interjecting when a point of order is being taken is highly disorderly. I ask you not to do that again.

**Dr D.J. HONEY:** The Premier has several times not used the honourable member’s correct title in his presentation.

Several members interjected.

**The SPEAKER:** Members! It is not a matter for debate. Members of the other house, regardless of what party they are from or what their views are, are named by their correct title. That is the only acceptable thing.

*Questions without Notice Resumed*

**Mr M. McGOWAN:** Hon Nick Goiran is not supporting our efforts to get people vaccinated. The bloke who runs the Liberal Party in Western Australia, as we have learnt, is actually not supporting vaccination. That is an issue.

**Dr D.J. Honey:** That’s not true.

**Mr M. McGOWAN:** The member for Cottesloe, who I suspect will never be described as “the honourable”, is someone who refuses to take on Hon Nick Goiran, because Nick Goiran, the honourable, runs the Liberal Party in Western Australia!