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HEALTH, SPECIALIST SERVICES IN RURAL AND REGIONAL WA

651. Mr WALDRON to the Minister for Health:

How much of the \$6 million will be allocated for the purpose of getting those specialists to reside permanently in those country areas?

Mr KUCERA replied:

I cannot give the member for Wagin a specific figure as it would depend on the needs in a given area. As we work through the reform of the health service in rural areas, that will be considered. That is the kind of thing that bringing small hospital groups into properly functioning and managed health areas will allow us to do. It creates a synergy and a coming together of services in the other programs that we can develop.