

CHIROPRACTORS, TRADE BARRIERS TO CONTAIN COMPETITION

166. Mr M.F. Board to the Minister for Health

What trade barriers contain the profession in WA's small private health marketplace and deny or obstruct competition by chiropractors in the big public health marketplace?

Mr R.C. KUCERA replied:

I refer the Hon Member to the answer given to Question on Notice No.1455 in Hansard on Tuesday 14 March 2000 at page 4777 which notes that services of a kind offered by chiropractors are provided by other health professionals operating within the public health system.

There is no legal impediment to chiropractors being employed or engaged within the public health system to provide services to public patients.