

CORONAVIRUS — RESIDENTIAL AGED-CARE FACILITIES

841. Ms M.J. DAVIES to the Minister for Health:

I have a supplementary question. Has the flying squad that I referred to in the question been deployed to all residential aged-care facilities; and, if not, why not?

Mr R.H. COOK replied:

Member, I do not have that operational insight, but I do know that all residential aged-care providers are keenly engaged with the Department of Health at the moment, including myself. They are grateful for the level of support we are providing them and they are grateful for the fact that the McGowan government has not forgotten them, like the commonwealth government has forgotten them. We will continue to work with them to ensure that all Western Australians, wherever they may be in Western Australia, are looked after. Of course, residential aged-care facilities in a lot of regional areas of WA are run by the WA Country Health Service. Of course we are looking after those people too.