

NURSES, COMMUTED ON-CALL ALLOWANCES

2556. Hon Jim Scott to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Health

Further to question without notice No. 820 of October 20 2004, regarding nurses and commuted on-call allowances -

- (1) Will the Minister explain under which Clause or subclause of either the current pay award or agreement covers these payments?
- (2) Will the Minister list all the other hospitals that have similar arrangements as regards commuted, on-call allowances as Sir Charles Gardiner Hospital?
- (3) Will the Minister explain whether senior nurses at Fremantle Hospital and Royal Perth Hospital are able to have access to commuted on-call payments?
- (4) If not, why not?

Hon SUE ELLERY replied:

1. Clause 22 - Meal & Refreshment Breaks and Clause 23 - Overtime of the Nurses (ANF- WA Public Sector) Award 2002, and Clause 15 - Overtime of the Nurses (WA Government Health Services) Agreement 2001.
 2. Osborne Park Hospital
 3. The current awards and agreements provide for salaries and conditions of employment for nurses in all locations in the public health system. Commuted allowances may be appropriate depending on the operational requirements of the facility.
 4. Not applicable.
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