

**Question on notice no. 1**

**Portfolio question number: Ahpra-2024.001**

**2023-24 Additional estimates**

**Community Affairs Committee, Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency Portfolio**

**Senator Gerard Rennick:** asked the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency on 15 February 2024—

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**Answer —**

Please see attached answer.

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**Answer:**

There are 57 Clinical Advisors employed across 6 professions employed on both a full-time and part-time basis. See Table One.

Ahpra also has contracts in place with a range of clinicians who are available to provide profession specific advice, as needed.

There are also health practitioners employed by Ahpra in non-clinical advisor roles.

Table 1 – Clinical Advisors Employed by Ahpra - data at 29 February 2024

Clinical Advisors - Profession	Current Staff
Clinical Advisor (Dental)	4
Clinical Advisor (Medical)	17
Clinical Advisor (Nursing and Midwifery)	13
Clinical Advisor (Pharmacy)	12
Clinical Advisor (Psychology)	11
<b>Total:</b>	<b>57</b>