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STANDING COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM

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Inquiry into referred 2017–18 Annual and Financial Reports ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Asked by MR COE MLA:

In relation to:

In relation to: Health Data

1. What steps have been taken over the last year to improve data collection and management from a Whole of Government Approach?
 - a. What steps have been taken specifically in the management of Health Data?
2. Will the reviews and audits of data collection and management be undertaken by the Digital Strategy Team, or will it be a priority for the Centre of Data Excellence?

CHIEF MINISTER: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:–

1. *What steps have been taken over the last year to improve data collection and management from a Whole of Government Approach?*
 - In June this year the Strategic Board established A Whole of Government Data Steering Committee to drive the ACT Government's data management reform agenda, including building data analytics capabilities, and implementing whole of government data management practices to fully leverage the value of its data holdings.
 - Actions to date include
 - The establishment of a data management and analytics community of practice across government.
 - The establishment of a Whole of Government Data Management Committee to develop a Whole of Government Data Management and Governance framework.
- a. *What steps have been taken specifically in the management of Health Data?*

The ACT Health Directorate (ACTHD) and Canberra Health Services (CHS) are working together to continuously improve the collection and management of health data. The following steps have been taken specifically in the management of health data over the last year:

- The delivery of the final Outcomes Report from the completed System-Wide Data Review (SWDR) and the accompanying System-Wide Data Review Implementation Plan, tabled by the Minister for

Health and Wellbeing in the Legislative Assembly on 21 August 2018 and published on the ACT Health website.

- The development of a new data repository for both directorates is underway. As stated in the SWDR Implementation Plan, the initial priorities are the following datasets to support reporting on:
 - Emergency Department
 - Walk-in Centres
 - Elective surgery waiting lists
 - Bed occupancy
- Quarterly Performance Reporting to commence Q1 2018-19 and evolved in consultation with the Health Care Consumers Association.
- A high-level data audit strategy to review data quality and integrity across ACT Health's data collection systems is complete and being implemented through a rolling program of operational-level data audits.
- A Memorandum of Understanding has been signed with the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare to use the national health metadata repository METeOR to document and develop data definitions and standards for essential and strategic reporting as well as operationally-focussed reporting.
- Further detail can be found in the Outcomes of the ACT Health System-Wide Data Review report.

2. *Will the reviews and audits of data collection and management be undertaken by the Digital Strategy Team, or will it be a priority for the Centre of Data Excellence?*

- In relation to Health Data this will be undertaken by ACT Health.

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Signature:

Date:

By the Chief Minister, Andrew Barr MLA