

From: [Martin Fisk](#)
To: [Committees](#)
Subject: Re: Public Hearing - Youth Suicide and Self Harm in the ACT - 24 Mar 2016
Date: Tuesday, 29 March 2016 11:55:29 AM

Hi Nicola

In my testimony on Thursday, I mentioned that, to my knowledge, no research on a link between autism and suicidal behaviours had been conducted in Australia and possibly worldwide.

One of my contacts in the suicide prevention community has sent me this research from the UK, which shows a very high correlation between adults with autism and suicidal behaviours (66%). Could you please pass this onto the Committee so that it can be considered as part of my testimony?

[http://www.thelancet.com/journals/lanpsy/article/PIIS2215-0366\(14\)70248-2/fulltext](http://www.thelancet.com/journals/lanpsy/article/PIIS2215-0366(14)70248-2/fulltext)

Many thanks and enjoy the short week!

Martin

On 22 March 2016 at 11:52, Committees <Committees@parliament.act.gov.au> wrote:

Inquiry into Youth Suicide and Self Harm in the ACT

Dear Interested Parties

Please find below the schedule for the first Public Hearing for Standing Committee on Health, Ageing, Community and Social Services Committee's the Inquiry into Youth Suicide and Self Harm in the ACT.

Thursday 24 March 2016

1.00pm – 5.00pm

Committee Room 1

ACT Legislative Assembly

Witness appearing are as follows:

TIME	FULL NAME/TITLE/ORGANISATION
1.00pm – 2.00pm	Minister for Multicultural and Youth Affairs – Ms Yvette Berry MLA
2.00pm – 2.30pm	Youth Coalition of the ACT
2.30pm – 3.15pm	Menslink
3.15pm – 3.30pm	Afternoon tea break
3.30pm – 5.00pm	Minister for Health – Mr Simon Corbell MLA

The public is welcome to attend and watch the hearings in person. Proceedings can also be watched live via web-streaming from the Assembly website at <http://aod.parliament.act.gov.au>.

The Committee has also called for written submissions. Written submissions should be lodged with the Committee Secretary by close of business on Wednesday, 6 April 2016

(committees@parliament.act.gov.au).

Further information on the Inquiry including the Terms of Reference is available at:

http://www.parliament.act.gov.au/in-committees/standing_committees/Health,-Ageing,-Community-and-Social-Services/inquiry-into-youth-suicide-and-self-harm-in-the-act?inquiry=822269.

Further hearings have also been scheduled, for 29 March 2016 and 14 April 2016. Details will be circulated closer to the date.

Regards

Nicola Kosseck

Secretary

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Please note - I am not in the office on Wednesdays.



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