



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY
FOR THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

QToNs No. 4 & 5

STANDING COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND COMMUNITY WELLBEING

Mr Johnathan Davis MLA (Chair), Mr James Milligan MLA (Deputy Chair),
Mr Michael Pettersson MLA

Inquiry into Recovery Plan for Nursing and Midwifery Workers
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE (QToNs)
14 June 2023

Asked by **MR JOHNATHAN DAVIS MLA/MR JAMES MILLIGAN MLA** on 14 June 2023:

MINISTER STEPHEN-SMITH MLA took on notice the following question:

Reference: *Hansard - Uncorrected Proof Transcript (UPT)*, 14 June 2023

In relation to:

[Question 4] *ACT Health Workforce Strategy 2023–2032 [referred to in Govt submission (pg 10)] - Strategic Priorities/Early Actions Table (pages 15-16) - data on action timeline & who to deliver (responsible party)*

[Question 5] *Details regarding release of 3-year workforce plan and then any subsequent workforce plan details to be released (workforce data & timelines - whole health system - CHS hospitals/Allied Health) [3-yr Plan 2024-26]*

MINISTER STEPHEN-SMITH MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:

The governance and accountability structure for the *ACT Health Workforce Strategy 2023-2032* (the Strategy) and its action plans is being developed following the launch of the Strategy on 4 May 2023. A governance committee is currently being appointed to oversee the implementation of the full Strategy and its actions.

Information regarding the responsible directorate, current implementation status and timeframes for the early actions published in the Strategy is provided at [Attachment A](#).

The development of the 2024-2026 Action Plan for the Strategy commenced at a facilitated stakeholder workshop scheduled on 25 July 2023. A wide range of stakeholders attended, including non-government organisations, education providers, private hospitals, professional associations and ACT Government directorates. Following stakeholder consultation, there may be additional actions to be undertaken by key stakeholders. The 2024-2026 Action Plan is scheduled to be finalised by the end of 2023.

A review and evaluation of the 2024-2026 Action Plan will be completed in 2026 with any findings implemented in the subsequent 2027-2029 Action Plan. This will enable adjustments for changing demographics and health status of the community, innovation, new technology, as well as new and emerging models of care. The 2030-2032 Action Plan is intended to be the final action plan for the Strategy.

Approved for circulation to the Standing Committee on Health and Community Wellbeing

Signature:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'R. Stephen-Smith', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Date:

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By the Minister for Health, Rachel Stephen-Smith MLA