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SELECT COMMITTEE ON ESTIMATES 2024-2025

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ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Asked By: **Ms Leanne Castley MLA**

Addressed to: Minister for Health

Hearing Date: 25/07/2024

In relation to: ACT Health and Canberra Health Services and Health Capital Works

Capital Works

1. What capital works projects for the;
 - a. ACT Health Directorate
 - b. Canberra Health Service(i) have had their estimated completion dates pushed out from the estimated completion dates in the 2023- 24 Budget?
2. In each instance what was the;
 - a. completion date in the 2023-24 Budget
 - b. new completion date?
3. How much was budgeted for ACTHD and CHS infrastructure program projects in 2023-24 and how much was actually spent?

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

The following table provides a listing of ACT Health Directorate and Canberra Health Services capital works projects with revised completion dates in the 2024-25 Budget papers and the new completion date, amount budgeted in 2023-24 and expenditure in 2023-24.

Information on infrastructure project timeframe changes are provided in my response to QToN 66.

Capital initiatives	Announced completion date	Forecast/revised completion date	Published budget 2023-24	Expenditure 2023-24
ACT Health Directorate				
Establishing a second Safe Haven	March 2025	August 2025	0	0
Improvements at the Ngunnawal Bush Healing Farm	June 2024	June 2025	600,000	2,321
Redeveloping and expanding the services of the Watson Health Precinct	June 2025	January 2026	18,220,000	8,159,750
A new carpark at Canberra Hospital – design and feasibility	June 2024	June 2025	2,155,000	320,375
CHHP Alcohol & Other Residential Rehab Expansion & Modernisation	June 2024	June 2025	2,689,000	533,574
CHHP Community Based Residential eating disorder treatment centre	June 2024	August 2024	7,494,000	9,868,728
Implementation of the Canberra Hospital Master Plan including: – demolition of buildings 6 and 23 – design and feasibility for new Pathology and Clinical Support Services Building	June 2025	August 2025	5,258,000	18,805,971
New COVID-19 and Disease Response Management System	March 2024	June 2026	3,200,000	152,683
North Canberra Hospital infrastructure phase 2	June 2024	December 2024	1,325,000	535,798
Ngunnawal Bush Healing Farm - Residential Service delivery trial	March 2024	September 2024	150,000	12,586
Southside hydrotherapy pool	August 2024	July 2025	4,300,000	459,773
Watson Health Precinct redevelopment grant	September 2024	December 2025	853,000	200,000
Upgrading critical communications infrastructure across Canberra Health Services	June 2025	April 2026	4,000,000	355,587
Expanding health centres across the city (Budget review)	August 2026	December 2025	421,000	177,298
Measures to reduce harm across the community	October 2024	December 2024	50,000	0
Continuing delivery of the DHR system (budget review)	June 2024	June 2025	16,074,000	9,501,671
Canberra Health Services (CHS)				
Delivering a new palliative care ward at the Canberra Hospital	February 2026	May 2026	642,000	864,769
Expanding and upgrading endoscopy services	March 2026	March 2026	631,000	802,920
Expanding health centres across the city (transferred to ACT Health Directorate on 31 October 2023)	August 2026	N/A	1,015,000	122,947
Boosting the workforce and operationalising the Critical Services Building	May 2024	September 2024	2,215,000	1,783,335
Safety systems upgrades to our public health services	October 2025	October 2025	1,436,000	1,732
Training our future health workforce	January 2024	Completed	800,000	236,838

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Upgrading and maintaining ACT Health assets	June 2024	July 2025	1,548,000	1,719,681
ACT Health critical assets upgrades	June 2025	December 2025	2,083,000	924,316
Delivering the Weston Creek Walk-in Centre	Completed	Completed	42,000	0
Clinical Services and Inpatient Unit Design and Infrastructure Expansion	Completed	Completed	302,000	56,970
Intensive Care Unit Expansion	Completed	Completed	321,000	474,830
Delivering the Inner North Walk-in Centre	Completed	Completed	119,000	0
Expanding pharmacy services at The Canberra Hospital	December 2023	July 2024	1,689,000	2,500,169
Expanding the Centenary Hospital for Women and Children	December 2023	Completed	8,439,000	5,978,397
Imaging services at the Weston Creek Walk-in Centre	Completed	Completed	1,000,000	148,916
Improved Infrastructure for Acute Aged Care and Cancer Inpatients	Completed	Completed	249,000	12,924
Delivering new clinical equipment and building services at the Canberra Hospital	June 2026	June 2026	5,651,000	9,389,282
Canberra Hospital Expansion operational commissioning	June 2025	June 2025	2,450,000	2,189,957
Replacing and enhancing critical equipment at North Canberra Hospital	June 2026	June 2026	1,820,000	933,996
Canberra Health Services warehouse and logistics facility	October 2023	Completed	1,225,000	1,192,314
Cancer Research Centre	September 2024	February 2025	2,600,000	3,110,907
New location for the Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service	September 2024	Completed	3,624,000	3,485,850
Upgrading ACT Pathology's laboratory	January 2025	May 2025	1,257,000	823,814
Digital Healthcare Record – transforming the way health care is provided	March 2024	December 2025	8,434,000	4,213,179
Embedding a positive safety culture in the ACT public health system	June 2024	Completed	400,000	211,427
Implementation and integration of a modern rostering system	December 2024	December 2024	1,000,000	1,413,496
Expanding endoscopy services	December 2023	Completed	208,000	242,765
More mental health services at The Canberra Hospital	Completed	Completed	429,000	16,698
More public medical imaging services for Canberra Hospital	December 2023	Completed	3,141,000	3,765,242
Secure Mental Health unit	Completed	Completed	84,000	0
Sterilising Services - Relocation and upgrade	June 2024	Completed	397,000	133,378

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The Canberra Hospital - Essential infrastructure and engineering works	Completed	Completed	58,000	0
University of Canberra Public Hospital	Completed	Completed	198,000	3,019
Upgrade and refurbishment of buildings at Canberra Hospital	Completed	Completed	519,000	32,032
Walk-in health centre - Coombs pilot	Completed	Completed	58,000	0

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Signature:



Date:

7/8/24

By the Minister for Health, Rachel Stephen-Smith MLA