



COMMITTEE SUPPORT

Standing Committee on Health and Community Wellbeing

Inquiry into Annual and Financial Reports 2021-2022
ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Asked by Mrs Kikkert MLA:

Reference: Hearing on 4 November 2022, Output Class 1.5 Safer Families, CSD Annual Report 2021-22, p 85.

In relation to: Historic review of domestic violence deaths in the ACT

1. ACT Government is collecting case data and seeking information from ACT Government agencies to undertake a historic review of domestic violence deaths. When exactly did this initiative commence (or if it has not commenced, when this year will it be expected to commence)?

- a. Which ACT government agencies will the ACT Government be collecting case data and information from?
- b. Which office of the ACT Government will be conducting the historic review?
- c. What are the anticipated start and completion dates of the historic review?

Yvette Berry MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:—

1. This aspect of the ACT Domestic and Family Violence Death Review (DFVDR) is anticipated to commence in early 2023 following the completion of the establishment stage of the DFVDR.
 - a. Under the *Domestic Violence Agencies Act*, the Family Violence Death Review Coordinator can request information from any Director-General or community based service as required.
 - b. The review of domestic and family violence deaths will be led by the ACT Domestic and Family Violence Death Review Coordinator.

- c. As the DFVDR is still in establishment phase, the completion date for the historic review of domestic violence deaths is unknown. Timing will be dependent on the complexity of the matters reviewed.

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

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Date:

06/02/23

By the Minister for the Prevention of Domestic and Family Violence, Yvette Berry MLA