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QoN No. 48

STANDING COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND COMMUNITY WELLBEING
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Inquiry into Annual and Financial Reports 2022–2023
Question on Notice (Committee)

Asked by: **MS LEANNE CASTLEY MLA**

Addressed to: Minister for Health

Reference: Annual Reports - CHS and ACT Health

Hearing Date: 16/11/2023

In relation to: WHS Incidents

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Staff WHS Incidents

Pg 64-65 in the CHS Annual Report shows the number of Staff WHS incidents.

20 improvement notices were issued however 19 were lifted.

The remaining improvement notice was outstanding at the time the report was written.

- 1) Is this improvement notice still outstanding?
- 2) If so, what action are you taking?
- 3) Which unit/area?
- 4) Have any other improvement notices been issued since the report was published?
- 5) Were there any reported incidents of Misconduct?
 - a) At what level of employment e.g. exec, frontline etc

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

- 1) The one remaining WorkSafe ACT Notice was lifted on 27 November 2023.
- 2) The WorkSafe ACT Notice has been resolved so there is no further action required.
- 3) The WorkSafe ACT Notice was issued to the Intensive Care Unit at the Canberra Hospital.

- 4) Yes. Three WorkSafe Improvement Notices have been issued for the Emergency Department De-escalation Suite (DES). These Notices relate to staff working in DES receiving appropriate occupational violence training, receiving local induction/orientation and identifying and documenting local risks within DES.
- 5) No misconduct was related to these matters.
 - a. Not applicable.

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

Signature:



Date:

5/12/23

By the Minister for Health, Ms Rachel Stephen-Smith MLA