



Standing Committee on Health and Community Wellbeing

Inquiry into Annual and Financial Reports 2022-2023 **ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

Asked by **MR ED COCKS MLA** on 21 November 2023: **MS KATIE MCKENZIE** took on notice the following questions:

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In relation to: Adult Mental Health Unit internal review

Ms McKenzie: I can give you an update on the internal review. We did an internal review with an independent chair. We invited a very experienced psychiatrist from a Melbourne local health district who has a lot of experience in terms of clinical governance. That review made three recommendations. One was related to CCTV, one was to implement training to ensure a shared understanding across a multi-disciplinary team about ISBAR handover, and one was to implement the allocation of staff to the floor as well as to allocation to tasks during a shift.

So all three recommendations are due at the end of this year. Two are on track to be delivered within that timeframe. One has a very slight delay because we need to do a broader consultation about CCTV in mental health settings. So we are tracking well. In terms of other review, there is still a major incident open with WorkSafe regarding this incident, and neither the coronial nor the criminal process has occurred as yet.

MR COCKS: Okay. And when was the review that you have just spoken to, when was that delivered and was it provided to the minister?

Ms McKenzie: I can give you the date it was delivered. I am going to have to take on notice about where we shared it. It is an internal review.

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

1. The comprehensive investigation report was endorsed by Canberra Health Services on 2 June 2023.
2. This report was provided to the Minister for Mental Health on 19 June 2023 and WorkSafe ACT on 30 May 2023.

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

Signature:

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By the A/g Minister for Mental Health, Rachel Stephen-Smith MLA