



Standing Committee on Health and Community Wellbeing

Inquiry into Annual and Financial Reports 2022-2023

ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Asked by Mrs Elizabeth Kikkert:

Reference: Hearing on 15 November 2023, Annual Report of Community Services Directorate

In relation to: Community based prevention of sexual violence activities by Sexual Health and Family Planning ACT

(1) Page 73 of the Annual Report states that the ACT Government has engaged Sexual Health and Family Planning ACT to work with other organisations to deliver community-based prevention of sexual violence activities. What kind of activities will be delivered?

(a) What other organisations will be involved in delivering these activities?

Minister Berry: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:–

(1) Sexual Health and Family Planning ACT (SHFPACT) will be working with organisations to:

- Build their skills and understanding of sexual violence prevention.
- Deliver community education and sexual violence prevention activities to community groups and organisations.
- Develop and implement a model that provides seed grants to community to facilitate grassroots prevention activities.
- Consult with community groups to understand opportunities, barriers/limitations, and community support needs for effective, community-acceptable sexual violence primary prevention initiatives.

(a) SHFPACT will work with a wide range of organisations and grass root community groups. Identifying and engaging with community groups and organisations will be an iterative process and will commence in 2024.

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Signature:

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