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FOR THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

SELECT COMMITTEE ON ESTIMATES 2024-2025

Ms Nicole Lawder MLA (Chair), Ms Suzanne Orr MLA (Deputy Chair),
Miss Laura Nuttall MLA

ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Asked By: Ms Leanne Castley MLA

Addressed to: Minister for Health

Reference: ACT Health

Hearing Date: 25/07/2024

In relation to: ACT Health and Digital Health Record

QON lodgement Date: 30/07/2024

Answer Due date: 06/08/2024

- (1) What was the original budget approved by Cabinet for the Digital Health Record?
- (2) What is the total overspend against this budget to date?
- (3) What is the total spend of the Digital Health Record to date? (This should include all costs including contractors, capital expenditure, operating expenditure, ACT Government staffing costs, legal costs etc...)
 - (a) Could the Minister provide a breakdown of this spend for each financial year since the project commenced?
- (4) What is the burn rate of the project per day? (This should include all costs including contractors, capital expenditure, operating expenditure, ACT Government staffing costs, legal costs etc...)
 - (a) Could the Minister provide a breakdown of all contractors that have been used to conduct audits of any aspect of DHR to date? This should include
 - (a) the suppliers name
 - (b) the current amount for the contract
 - (c) the contract number
 - (d) contract name.
- (5) Has there been any disciplinary action taken against individuals following the Whix Consulting Pty Ltd audit (contract number: PIHD0001398)?
 - (a) Can the Minister provide detail whether any findings as a result of the Whix Consulting audit or any other external or internal audit has resulted in disciplinary action against NTT or any other individuals?
 - (b) Has there been any referral to the PSSU, ACT Integrity Commission? If so, provide details of when this was referred and for what reason.

MINISTER STEPHEN-SMITH: A supplementary answer to the Member's question (4) is as follows:

I provided a response to the Member's questions on 16 August 2024.


Since providing my response, the Digital Solutions Division has confirmed the details of three consultancies undertaken throughout the DHR Program, and are published on Tenders ACT under Panel Contracts as outlined in the following table:

Supplier	Description	Amount	Panel Contract Link	Work Order No
Callida Consulting	Development of the Quality and Assurance Strategy and Plan	\$54,400	Contract - 2019.29912.21031	VP210278
EY	DHR Independent Quality Assurance reviews (as per the Callida Quality and Assurance Plan)	\$275,000	Contract - 2019.29912.21028	VPR438780
ABT Associates	Development of a Benefits Realisation Plan	\$113,190	Contract - 2019.29912.21001	VP255483

Note: To locate work orders under a Panel Contract on the website, please following the below instructions:

1. Click on the Panel Contract link in the above table.
2. Select the 'Attachments' menu on the top.
3. Look for the Panel specific contract/work order number as identified in the table.

The ACT Health Directorate advises me that this information was not previously provided to me as it was regarded as an activity during the life of the project. The previous response was therefore limited to post-implementation reviews and audits.

Approved for circulation to the Select Committee on Estimates 2024-2025	
Signature: 	Date: 4/9/24
By the Minister for Health, Rachel Stephen-Smith MLA	