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STANDING COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND COMMUNITY WELLBEING

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Inquiry into ACT Budget 2021–22
QUESTION ON NOTICE

JOHNATHAN DAVIS MLA: To ask the Minister for Health

Ref: Canberra Health Services, Budget paper C, page number 40, Output 1.2: Mental Health, Justice Health and Alcohol and Drug Services

In relation to: Disability Health Strategy

1. I note that the Parliamentary and Governing Agreement commits our government to developing a disability health strategy. How is the Minister hoping this work will progress over the coming year to ensure we are in a strong position to move forward on it at this time next year?

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

1. The Disability Health Strategy (DHS) Project commenced in April 2021 and has been broken down into three phases:
 - Phase One (Scoping Study to inform DHS) – final report due December 2021;
 - Phase Two (DHS and First Action Plan (FAP) development) – 2022; and
 - Phase Three (launch and implementation of DHS and FAP) – 2023.

Phase One will see two reports developed in December 2021 including a consultant's report, *Future Directions of Disability Health in the ACT: Phase One of the ACT Disability Health Strategy Project*, and a Listening Report.

The process for developing the Disability Health Strategy is modelled on the process used to develop the Disability Justice Strategy 2019-2029, which was well-received by the sector.

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

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By the Minister for Health, Rachel Stephen-Smith MLA

