



Inquiry into Appropriation Bill 2026–2027 and Appropriation (Office of the Legislative Assembly) Bill 2026–2027

Answer to question on notice

Asked by: Ms Chiaka Barry MLA

Addressed to: Minister for the Prevention of Domestic, Family and Sexual Violence

Reference: Prevention of Domestic and Family Violence

Hearing: 29 July 2026

In relation to: 2026–27 Budget Allocations for Domestic & Family Violence Services

Question received: 31 July 2026

Answer Due: 13 August 2026

The 2026–27 ACT Budget indicates that \$684,000 has been earmarked over the next two years for a local provider to deliver domestic violence risk assessment training to government and non-government workforces.

1. Can the Minister please provide an explanation of how that funding allocation was determined, including a de-aggregated list of what that funding has been scoped to resource?
2. Which areas of the public service will receive this training?
3. How will non-government workforces be identified to receive this training?

Ms Caitlin Tough MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:

1. In 2025–26, the ACT Government engaged Domestic Violence Crisis Service to develop and deliver training on the recently updated Risk Assessment Management Framework (RAMF). The \$684,000 allocation from the 2026–27 Budget will support the continuation of RAMF training placements levels and ensure that training is available for government and non-government sector until July 2028. Please note that the training provider and specific training placement numbers in relation to the \$684,000 allocation are still subject to future procurement and contract negotiation processes.
2. Public service workforces to receive this training will include key frontline staff such as Housing ACT, social workers in Canberra Health Services, Children Youth and Families staff, Court Duty Officers and specialist roles in Corrections. It will also cover staff who may use the risk assessment tools, including nurses, teachers and other universal workforces.

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3. The training will be prioritised for those workforces that will be critical to the operation of the Domestic Family Violence (DFV) Information Sharing Scheme when it commences, including non-government Information Sharing Entities such as non-government schools which have also been identified to receive RAMF training. Additionally, training will be made available for the ACT specialist DFV sector.

Approved for circulation to the Select Committee on Estimates 2026–2027

Signature: 

Date: 14/8/26

Minister for the Prevention of Domestic, Family and Sexual Violence, Ms Caitlin Tough MLA