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Inquiry into referred 2016–17 Annual and Financial Reports
ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE
15 November 2017

Asked by Mrs Dunne:

In relation to:

1. Would it be possible, on notice, to be provided with the terms of reference for the group.

Ms Fitzharris: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:—

1. On 15 November 2017, at the Annual Report Hearings, I stated that there were no terms of reference for the pill testing working group (PTWG). I would like to clarify my response.

At the first meeting of the PTWG on 23 May 2017, members were provided with a draft terms of reference. These were for consideration, but were not formally endorsed by the working group.

The draft terms of reference identified the role and functions of the working group as follows:

Role: The PTWG is time limited working group established to examine the broader public health, legal and social issues, related to the potential introduction of third party pill testing trial in the ACT.

Function: The PTWG will evaluate and consider options for a third party conduct of a pill testing trial. This would include how pill testing might be done; major issues or impediments associated with pill testing and to gauge the level of stakeholder support for pill testing the ACT.

Approved for circulation to the Standing Committee on Health, Ageing and Community Services

Signature:

Date:

30/11/17

By the Minister for Health and Wellbeing, Meegan Fitzharris MLA