

Our reference: **ACTHDFOI23-24.14**

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Dear [REDACTED]

DECISION ON YOUR ACCESS APPLICATION

I refer to your application under section 30 of the *Freedom of Information Act 2016* (FOI Act), received by the ACT Health Directorate (ACTHD) on **Tuesday 12 September 2023**.

This application requested access to:

All ministerial brief and attachments related to "Parliamentary and Governing Agreement and Election Commitment Reporting for ACTHD and CHS" since the 8th of June 2022'.

I am an Information Officer appointed by the Director-General of ACTHD under section 18 of the FOI Act to deal with access applications made under Part 5 of the Act. ACTHD was required to provide a decision on your access application by (date).

I have identified 3 documents holding the information within scope of your access application. These are outlined in the schedule of documents included at Attachment A to this decision letter.

Decisions

I have decided to:

- grant partial access to three documents;

My access decisions are detailed further in the following statement of reasons and the documents released to you are provided as Attachment B to this letter.

In reaching my access decision, I have taken the following into account:

- The FOI Act;
- The contents of the documents that fall within the scope of your request;
- The *Human Rights Act 2004*.

Partial Access

I have decided to grant partial access to all three documents. These documents contain information that I consider, on balance, to be contrary to the public interest to disclose under Section 16 of the FOI Act.

Public Interest Factors Favouring Disclosure

The following factors were considered relevant in favour of the disclosure of the documents:

- Schedule 2, 2.1 (a)(i) promote open discussion of public affairs and enhance the government's accountability; and
- Schedule 2, 2.1 (a)(ii) contribute to positive and informed debate on important issues or matters of public interest.

Public Interest Factors Favouring Non-Disclosure

The following factors were considered relevant in favour of the non-disclosure of the documents:

- Schedule 1.6, 1(d) Information the disclosure of which would reveal any deliberation of Cabinet (other than through the official publication of a Cabinet decision).

All three documents are partially comprised of information classified as cabinet information the disclosure of which would reveal any deliberation of Cabinet (other than through the official publication of a Cabinet decision), and under Schedule 1.6 Cabinet Information, it is taken to be contrary to the public interest to release.

On balance, the information identified factors favouring disclosure were outweighed by the factors favouring non-disclosure as I have determined that the information would be identified is contrary to the public interest and have decided not to disclose this information.

Charges

Processing charges are not applicable to this request.

Disclosure Log

Under section 28 of the FOI Act, ACTHD maintains an online record of access applications called a disclosure log. The scope of your access application, my decision and documents released to you will be published in the disclosure log not less than three days but not more than 10 days after the date of this decision. Your personal contact details will not be published.

<https://www.health.act.gov.au/about-our-health-system/freedom-information/disclosure-log>.

Ombudsman review

My decision on your access request is a reviewable decision as identified in Schedule 3 of the FOI Act. You have the right to seek Ombudsman review of this outcome under section 73 of the Act within 20 working days from the day that my decision is published in ACT Health's disclosure log, or a longer period allowed by the Ombudsman.

If you wish to request a review of my decision you may write to the Ombudsman at:

The ACT Ombudsman

GPO Box 442

CANBERRA ACT 2601

Via email: ACTFOI@ombudsman.gov.au

Website: ombudsman.act.gov.au

ACT Civil and Administrative Tribunal (ACAT) review

Under section 84 of the Act, if a decision is made under section 82(1) on an Ombudsman review, you may apply to the ACAT for review of the Ombudsman decision. Further information may be obtained from the ACAT at:

ACT Civil and Administrative Tribunal
Allara House
15 Constitution Avenue
GPO Box 370
Canberra City ACT 2601
Telephone: (02) 6207 1740
<http://www.acat.act.gov.au/>

Further assistance

Should you have any queries in relation to your request, please do not hesitate to contact the
FOI Coordinator on (02) 5124 9831 or email HealthFOI@act.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'C. Ellis', written in a cursive style.

Catherine Ellis
Senior Director
Ministerial and Government Services

18 October 2023

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF DOCUMENTS

Please be aware that under the *Freedom of Information Act 2016*, some of the information provided to you will be released to the public through the ACT Government's Open Access Scheme. The Open Access release status column of the table below indicates what documents are intended for release online through open access.

Personal information or business affairs information will not be made available under this policy. If you think the content of your request would contain such information, please inform the contact officer immediately.

Information about what is published on open access is available online at: <http://www.health.act.gov.au/public-information/consumers/freedom-information>

APPLICANT NAME	WHAT ARE THE PARAMETERS OF THE REQUEST	FILE NUMBER
[REDACTED]	<i>I would like to request all ministerial brief and attachments related to "Parliamentary and Governing Agreement and Election Commitment Reporting for ACTHD and CHS" since the 8th of June 2022.</i>	ACTHDFOI23-24.14

Ref Number	Page Number	Description	Date	Status Decision	Factor	Open Access release status
1.	1-5	GBC22/282 PaGA Brief Report 3 - Minister for Mental Health (June)	June 2022	Partial Release	Schedule 1.6 (1) Cabinet Information	Yes
2.	6-9	GBC22/679 PaGA Brief Report 4 - Minister for Mental Health (December)	Dec 2022	Partial release	Schedule 1.6 (1) Cabinet Information	Yes
3.	10-17	GBC22/680 PaGA Brief Report 4 - Minister for Health (December)	Dec 2022	Partial release	Schedule 1.6 (1) Cabinet Information	Yes

Total Number of Documents

3

ACT Health Directorate

To: Minister for Mental Health Tracking No.: GBC22/282

Date: 20 June 2022

Through: Colm Mooney, A/g Deputy Chief Executive Officer, Canberra Health Services

From: Rebecca Cross, Director-General
Dave Peffer, Chief Executive Officer, Canberra Health Services

CC: Deborah Anton, Deputy Director-General

Subject: Parliamentary and Governing Agreement & Election Commitment Reporting
– Internal Report 3 (ACT Health Directorate and Canberra Health Services)

Critical Date: Not Applicable

Critical Reason: Not Applicable

Recommendations

That you:

1. Note the information contained in this brief; and

Noted / Please Discuss

2. Note the change in reporting timelines from quarterly to biannual to align with the Whole of Government reporting process to Cabinet, coordinated by Chief Minister, Treasury and Economic Development Directorate.

Noted / Please Discuss

Emma Davidson MLA

Minister's Office Feedback

Background

1. On 2 November 2020, ACT Labor and the ACT Greens signed a Parliamentary and Governing Agreement (PaGA) for the 10th Legislative Assembly, agreeing to work constructively and collaboratively to govern in the best interests of ACT residents.
2. The Agreement stipulates that the Chief Minister and ACT Greens leader will brief all ACT Labor and Greens MLAs on implementation of this Agreement at least every six months and will make a public statement on progress every year.
3. In February 2022, Chief Minister, Treasury and Economic Development Directorate (CMTEDD) sought updates from Directorates on commitments only within Appendix 1 and Appendix 2 of the PaGA which was considered by Cabinet in April 2022.
4. For the CMTEDD reporting round, ACT Health Directorate (ACTHD) provided an update on the progress of **PaGA 023 *MyHome in Curtin***. This initiative falls within your portfolio responsibility as the Minister for Mental Health and is currently being led by ACTHD. There are no other items that fall within the responsibility of the ACTHD or Canberra Health Services (CHS) captured within the CMTEDD reporting scope.
5. You have previously been briefed on the internal reporting process undertaken by ACTHD and CHS to record, monitor and report on all health, mental health and justice health portfolio commitments in the PaGA, in particular Appendix 3 and 4 which include the majority of health related commitments.
6. The information also includes commitments sourced from the Chief Minister's commissioning letters provided to Ministers from the beginning of the current term of government. The system allowed for regular quarterly updates to be provided to you on the status of all mental health and justice health portfolio commitments as well as inform updates to Whole of Government (WoG) reporting.

Issues

7. ACTHD undertook the third round of reporting on commitments within PaGA and has sought input from ACTHD business units and CHS on identified initiatives that fall within your portfolio responsibilities - refer to Attachment A.

Status Update as at June 2022

8. The progress update at Attachment A details the implementation status and provides progress in relation to all health related PaGA.
9. In summary, of nine initiatives, the following status was recorded:
 - a. five are on track (PaGA16.1, 16.3, 16.4, 16.6, 2.8);
 - b. three have not yet commenced (PaGA 15.4,16.2, 16.5); and
 - c. one delayed (PaGA 16.2)

Reporting timeframes

10. To date, you have been provided with quarterly updates on the progress of relevant PaGA initiatives and election commitments.
11. Quarterly updates provided on initiatives have been relatively minor and incremental, and adjusting to a longer timeframe for reporting will provide for more substantive updates.
12. To ensure adequate updates are provided and to align with CMTEDD current timeframes, we will amend the current reporting timeline from quarterly to biannual. CMTEDD currently coordinate six-monthly reporting to Cabinet, including an internal status report and a public status report.
13. We anticipate on providing you with the next round of updates late 2022.

Financial Implications

14. Not applicable.

Consultation

Internal

15. All business areas within ACTHD were consulted for input to Report 3.

Cross Directorate

16. ACTHD worked closely with CHS to inform updates on initiatives listed with Attachment A for this reporting round.

External

17. Not Applicable.

Work Health and Safety

18. Not applicable.

Benefits/Sensitivities

19. To ensure objectives of the reporting mechanism are met, input and updates are required from all areas within ACTHD and CHS to ensure commitments are met.

Communications, media and engagement implications

20. Not applicable.

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Dave Peffer, Chief Executive Officer,
Canberra Health Services

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Action Officer: Chadia Rad, Senior Director, Phone: 0406 306 009
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Attachments

Attachment	Title
Attachment A	Parliamentary and Governing Agreement & Election Commitments Reporting – Internal Report 3

Reference No	Category	Initiative	Lead Portfolio	Lead Directorate	Expected Commencement Date	Expected Completion Date	Report 3 (June 2022) Progress Update	Budget	Delivery Status
CL1	Commissioning Letter	Employing an additional Justice Health Service Alcohol and other Drugs nurse in Bimberli to increase support available. For young people engaged with the Justice system the integrated service needs will work with young people on community-based orders in detention at Bimberli and post-release collaborating with Child and Youth Protection Services and community partners including Gagan Guwan Youth Aboriginal Corporation and Ted Noffs Foundation	Minister for Justice Health	CHS	February 2021	TBA	Following two unsuccessful permanent recruitment attempts this position was recruited to on a temporary basis for 12 months ending January 2023. Permanent recruitment will again commence in November 2022	February 2021 mini budget - \$475 000	Delayed
PaGA 15.4	Maternity	Increase Investment in Perinatal Mental Health and Well being	Minister for Mental Health	ACT Health	2022-23	2024-25	Mental Health and Suicide Prevention Bilateral Agreement between ACT and Australian Government provides funding to support perinatal mental health screening. The ACT Government has developed an action plan to address the Government's multiple maternity related commitments. This plan was endorsed by Cabinet in April 2022 with public release of the plan expected in the coming months. Implementation of actions within the plan will commence shortly following project planning and implementation scheduling.	Funding may be sought through a future Budget process	Not yet commenced
PaGA 16.1	Mental Health and Youth Mental Health	Expand PACER to two teams to service the North and South of Canberra 7 days a week	Minister for Mental Health	CHS	February 2022	July 2022	The second Police Ambulance and Children Early Response (PACER) team - PACER AM' commenced on 21 February 2022. The team operates from 8:00 to 18:30. Notwithstanding the delays this commitment is now on track. An external evaluation of the PACER program is in the process of being commissioned which will make recommendations for the ongoing operation of the second PACER team should further funding for the second team be provided beyond the 6 months funding.	\$1,065M1	On track
PaGA 16.2	Mental Health and Youth Mental Health	Build 5 additional supported accommodation houses over the next 4 years	Minister for Mental Health	CHS	Dec-21	Dec-24	Delayed - expected completed 30/08/2022. Draft Model of Care to be sent to internal and external stakeholders for consultation by mid June 2022. Funding delayed by approx. two months	\$0	Delayed
PaGA 16.3	Mental Health and Youth Mental Health	Refurbish 10 beds at the Brian Hennessy Rehab Station Centre for transitional and rehab Station accommodation for consumers with enduring mental illness (\$10 Million Capital expenditure plus \$3.25 Mil Ion over 4 years)	Minister for Mental Health	CHS	Dec-21	Jun-24		\$184 000	Not yet commenced
PaGA 16.4	Mental Health and Youth Mental Health	Boost community course ting mentoring home visits advocacy and care management for 10-25 year olds	Minister for Mental Health	ACT Health	October 2020	2024-25	Additional one-off funding was a located through the COVID-19 Mental Health and Community Support Packages. The OMHW is continuing to working with the ACT Youth Coalition and the Capital Health Network to finalise a project on the needs of young people with moderate mental health concerns. The Bilateral Agreement under the National Mental Health and Suicide Prevention Agreement provides matched funding for two new services. 1. Kids Head to Health program to support emerging and moderate mental health concerns for children. 2. Youth at Risk to support young people with complex needs including emerging mental health concerns. Co-design and development of the service will commence from July 2022. The implementation of the MOST (Moderated Online Social Therapy) platform in the ACT is progressing to the procurement phase. Funding of Parentline (family support program) and CatholicCare Youth and We Being is ongoing.	Detailed in Progress update.	On track
PaGA 16.5	Mental Health and Youth Mental Health	Establish a psychologist subsidy scheme for young people and people on low incomes (\$2M over 4 years)	Minister for Mental Health	ACT Health	Unknown	Unknown	Under the Parentline Agreement for Mental Health and Suicide Prevention the Commonwealth Government has responsibility for primary care. Feasibility study recommended to consider impact on this Agreement	\$2M over four years. Funding to be identified through a future budget process	Not yet commenced
PaGA 16.6	Mental Health and Youth Mental Health	Improve programs that target and support youth mental health eating disorders alcohol/drug use/mental health First Nations mental health First Nations suicide prevention & postvention and respite for mental health carers	Minister for Mental Health	ACT Health	October 2020	Ongoing	The ACT Government has made a range of investments to support this wide range of sub-sectors. Investments for youth mental health are described in PaGA 2.8 and 26.4 Examples of wider mental health program development include: The eating disorders project is broadly on track. The ACT Eating Disorders Clinical Hub was officially launched on 25 January 2022 by Minister Davidson. This includes two new eating disorder services - Short Term Recovery Intervention for Disordered Eating (STRIDE) Program and the Parenting Group. The Clinical Hub is able to facilitate referrals to the STRIDE Program and the Parenting Group as clinically appropriate. The STRIDE Program is currently located in Civic Parenting Groups are run from the Phillip Health Centre and the Clinical Hub is located at Canberra Hospital. The Early Intervention Service is expected to be operational in the 2022-23 financial year. The location for the Early Intervention Service is yet to be determined. The establishment of the EIS ED service has been delayed due to unforeseen circumstances regarding the model of service delivery. Alcohol/Drug Use/Mental Health As part of the Bilateral Agreement under the National Mental Health and Suicide Prevention Agreement the ACT Government has negotiated joint funding with the Commonwealth Government for the establishment and operation of a Youth at Risk program to support young people with complex needs. This program will include support for young people with cooccurring mental health and alcohol and other drug concerns. First Nations Suicide Prevention and Postvention In the 2021-22 Budget the ACT Government invested \$2.2 million to establish a culturally appropriate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Suicide Prevention and Postvention Program. The NGO service provider procurement process for this service is currently being finalised. ACTHD expect that the service provider will begin the service development and implementation process in July 2022. Cares In August 2021 in response to the announcement of a lockdown in the ACT the ACT Government provided \$40 000	Detailed in Progress Update	On track
PaGA 2.8	Delivering High Quality Health Care for Canberrans	Invest \$15 million in more mental health support for Canberra's young people	Minister for Mental Health	ACT Health	October 2020	2024-25	An additional \$8.3 million was allocated in the August 2021 ACT budget. The funding for Parentline and CatholicCare was executed on track. The rolling out of the MOST program has taken longer than expected due to the consideration on how to roll out in the ACT including the possible expansion to include a community based clinical service and identified the appropriate procurement method. It has been decided to progress an 18 month trial with an evaluation to inform longer term funding arrangements for MOST. As part of the Bilateral Agreement under the National Mental Health and Suicide Prevention Agreement two new services for ACT young people will be jointly funded. The ACT funding for the two services totals approximately \$8.5 million over the 5 year agreement ending in 2026. The first is a Kids Head to Health program to support emerging and moderate mental health concerns for children. The second is a Youth at Risk to support young people with complex needs including emerging mental health concerns.	On track	On track



ACT Health Directorate

To: Minister for Mental Health

Tracking No.: GBC22/679

From: Rebecca Cross, Director-General
Janet Zagari, Acting Chief Executive Officer, Canberra Health Services

Subject: Parliamentary and Governing Agreement & Election Commitment Reporting – Internal Report 4 (ACT Health Directorate and Canberra Health Services)

Critical Date: Not Applicable

Critical Reason: Not Applicable

Recommendation

That you note the information contained in this brief.

Noted / Please Discuss

Emma Davidson MLA/...../.....

Minister’s Office Feedback

Background

1. On 2 November 2020, ACT Labor and the ACT Greens signed the Parliamentary and Governing Agreement (PaGA) for the 10th Legislative Assembly, agreeing to work constructively and collaboratively to govern in the best interests of ACT residents.
2. The PaGA stipulates that the Chief Minister and ACT Greens leader will brief all ACT Labor and Greens MLAs on implementation of this Agreement at least every six months and will make a public statement on progress every year.
3. In September 2022, Chief Minister, Treasury and Economic Development Directorate (CMTEDD) sought updates from Directorates on commitments only within Appendix 1 and Appendix 2 of the PaGA which was considered by Cabinet in November 2022.
4. For the CMTEDD reporting round, ACT Health Directorate (ACTHD) provided an update on the progress of PaGA 023 *MyHome in Curtin*. This initiative falls within your portfolio responsibility as the Minister for Mental Health and is currently being led by ACTHD. ACTHD is seeking to transfer reporting responsibility for this commitment to the Community Services Directorate. There are no other items that fall within the responsibility of the ACTHD or Canberra Health Services (CHS) captured within the CMTEDD reporting scope.
5. You have previously been briefed via an internal reporting process undertaken by ACTHD and CHS to record, monitor and report on all mental health and justice health portfolio commitments in the PaGA, in particular Appendix 3 and 4 which include the majority of health related commitments.
6. This reporting also includes commitments sourced from the Chief Minister's commissioning letters provided to Ministers from the beginning of the current term of government.
7. Internal reporting is designed to provide you with updates on the status of all mental health and justice health portfolio commitments rather than just commitments updated as part of the Whole of Government (WHoG) reporting process.

Issues

8. ACTHD undertook the fourth round of reporting on commitments within PaGA and has sought input from ACTHD business units and CHS on identified initiatives that fall within your portfolio responsibilities. A full report is available at [Attachment A](#).

Status Update as at December 2022

9. In summary, of the 10 initiatives led under your Ministerial portfolios, the following statuses were recorded:
 - a. two are delivered (PaGA 2.8, CL 1);
 - b. four are on track (PaGA 16.1, 16.4, 16.6, 17.7);
 - c. three have not yet commenced (PaGA 15.4, 16.3, 16.5); and
 - d. one is delayed (PaGA 16.2).

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10. ACTHD anticipates providing you with further updates mid-2023, to be aligned closely with WHOg reporting activities administered by CMTEDD.

Financial Implications

11. Not applicable.

ConsultationInternal

12. All business areas within ACTHD were consulted for input to Report 4.

Cross Directorate

13. ACTHD worked closely with CHS to inform updates on initiatives listed with Attachment A.

External

14. Not applicable.

Work Health and Safety

15. Not applicable.

Benefits/Sensitivities

16. To ensure objectives of the reporting mechanism are met, input and updates are required from all areas within ACTHD and CHS to ensure commitments are met.

Communications, media and engagement implications

17. Not applicable.

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Janet Zagari, A/g Chief Executive
Officer, Canberra Health Services

Action Officer: Cath Ellis, A/g Senior Director, Phone: 0466 922 505
Ministerial and Government Services

Attachment

Attachment	Title
Attachment A	Parliamentary and Governing Agreement & Election Commitments Reporting – Internal Report 4

Reference No	Initiative	Lead Portfolio	Expected Commencement Date	Expected Completion Date	Report 4 (Dec 2022) - Progress Update	Budget	Delivery Status
CL 1	Employing an additional Just on Health Service Alcohol and other Drugs nurse in Kimberley to increase support available. For young people engaged with the justice system the integrated service needs will work with young people on community-based orders in detention at Kimberley and post-release co-laboring with Child and Youth Protection Services and community partners including Gupar Gulwan Youth Aboriginal Corporation and Ted Noffs Foundation	Minister for Justice Health	February 2021		This position has been filled and will be recruited to on an ongoing basis should a vacancy arise.	February 2021 mini budget - \$475 000	Delivered / Complete
PaGA 15.4	Increase investment in Perinatal Mental Health and Wellbeing	Minister for Mental Health	2022-23	2024-25	Work is being undertaken to compare current ACT perinatal mental health data points captured in current perinatal MH screening with National Collection. This will determine the scope of work to be completed to align ACT with national data sets. The 2022-23 ACT Budget provided \$300 000 over two years for a scoping study on a perinatal mental health and wellbeing fact by. The Mental Health and Strategic Policy team are leading this work.	Funding may be sought through a future Budget process.	Not yet commenced
PaGA 16.1	Expand PACER to two teams to service the North and South of Canberra 7 days a week	Minister for Mental Health	February 2022	July 2022	CHS Input: - KPMG have been contracted to conduct the external evaluation of PACER. The evaluation has commenced and is due for completion in mid-March; however this may be subject to change due to data analysis. The methodology will include a desktop review consumer and family/carer surveys and semi structured interviews and focus groups with consumers and carer/family members. MHP Input: - Following budget commitment to continue funding the second team and to fund an independent evaluation, the Mental Health and Suicide Prevention Division now consider this commitment complete. Mental Health and Strategic Policy is undertaking a strategic analysis of housing for people with mental health which will consider data needs and gaps. This will assist in building an evidence base for future investment including in response to this commitment.	\$1.065M	On track
PaGA 16.2	Build 5 additional supported accommodation houses over the next 4 years Refurbish 0 beds at the Brian Hennessy Rehabilitation Centre for transitional and rehabilitation accommodation for consumers with enduring mental illness (\$10 Million)	Minister for Mental Health	Dec-21	Dec-24	CHS Input: The Supported Accommodation Model of Care is complete and has been handed over to the ACTHD. Mental Health and Suicide Prevention Division for inclusion in strategic mapping of accommodation needs. Further updates on the progress of this project will be provided by ACTHD.	\$0	Delayed
PaGA 16.3	Capital expenditure plus \$3.25 Million over 4 years	Minister for Mental Health	Dec-21	Jun-24		\$184 000	Not yet commenced
PaGA 16.4	Boost community counselling mentoring home visits advocacy and case management for 10-25 year olds	Minister for Mental Health	October 2020	2024-25	Kids Head to Health program Head to Health Kids is a mental health service for children aged 0-12 years that will provide multidisciplinary assessment intervention and support to children with moderate mental illness their families and carers. The Commonwealth Department of Health and Aged Care has released a National Service Model for Head to Health Kids. ACTHD has provided feedback on this model highlighting a preference for service development through co-design and local integration of Head to Health Kids with existing service structures. Head to Health Kids Hubs are scheduled to commence nationally from FY 2023-24. ACTHD has brought forward funding and appointed a Project Director and Assistant Director to commence project planning consultation and co-design. Youth at Risk Kids Head to Health program The National Mental Health and Suicide Prevention Bilateral Agreement includes funding to develop and establish a youth mental health initiative to fill identified gaps in the ACT service system to support youth with/or at risk of moderate mental illness while ensuring the enhancement and integration of the existing youth mental health services. A Project Director and Assistant Director have been appointed to commence project planning consultation and co-design including on a 2021 scoping study. The Project is at the planning consultation and design stage with current activities underway including the development of a project management plan and early engagement with key stakeholders. Options for enhancement of existing services as an early first step as being discussed with current service providers. The project is also considering key intersections (e.g. Head to Health Kids and the Missing Middle project) seeking to consolidate youth consultation required in the next six months to avoid duplication and consultation fatigue. A consultation and co-design process is expected to commence in early 2023. Moderated Online Social Therapy (MOST) ACTHD is currently in contract negotiations with Oregon Limited to deliver a trial of their MOST service in the ACT. MOST offers digitally based enhanced to locally delivered adolescent mental health services. In the ACT Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS) CatholicCare's Youth and Wellbeing Service and headspace have been identified as initial service providers for MOST. A Service Funding Agreement (SFA) has been drafted and is expected to be executed by End November 2022. It is anticipated that service planning for MOST will take place before end 2022 and implementation of MOST will commence gradually from January 2023. The MOST trial will then continue until March 2024. Missing Middle - Child & Youth Mental Health and Wellbeing Services Network CMHW in partnership with the Capital Health Network and the Youth Coalition of the ACT has established a Child & Youth Mental Health and Wellbeing Services Network for the ACT. The network will improve connection and collaboration across different services and will develop an Action Plan to identify and progress key priorities and recommendations to support children and young people in the 'missing middle'. NE Update since last reporting period.	Detailed in Progress update.	On track
PaGA 16.5	Establish a psychologist subsidy scheme for young people and people on low incomes (\$2M over 4 years)	Minister for Mental Health	Unknown	Unknown	Update from Report 3: Under the National Agreement for Mental Health and Suicide Prevention the Commonwealth Government has responsibility for primary care. Feasibility study recommended to consider impact on this Agreement. The ACT Government has made a range of investments to support this wide range of sub-sectors. Investments for youth mental health (Most Kids Head to Health Youth at Risk and Missing Middle) are described in PaGA 2.8 and 16.4. Examples of wider mental health investment include: Eating Disorders The Expanding Public Services for Eating Disorders Project continues to progress work on additional services including an early intervention service establishment of a Clinical Hub and the development of a Residential Centre. Contract negotiations for the Early Intervention Service are underway and the Territory Wide Eating Disorders Model of Care is expected to be completed by End 2022. Alcohol/Drug Use/Mental Health Project has commenced to identify evidence based approaches to supporting people with MH concerns and AOD misuse across the continuum of need and service systems. This will identify the key points of intersection between the MH and AOD systems in the ACT develop a framework for service co-laboration and integration and identify potential new responses to unmet needs and develop business cases. First Nations Mental Health and Suicide Prevention The co-design process for the new Suicide Prevention Service to be delivered by Thrill has progressed slower than initially planned due to community feedback. A governance group has been established to support the delivery of the Cultural Inappropriate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Suicide Prevention Service and will meet monthly. Thrill is currently focusing on community engagement co-design and service development to ensure self-determination of a service model that will meet the needs of the local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community. Ongoing consultations have occurred with the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Mental Health and Suicide Prevention Working Group (Working Group) members and other local ACTU key stakeholders on the ACT Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Suicide Prevention Strategy including development of a Work Plan with the ATSI Working Group on Suicide Prevention and Mental Health. CHS input: The Early Intervention Service for Eating Disorders (EISED) will be operated by a non-government organisation. A procurement process is currently underway with the service expected to be operational in early 2023. The Eating Disorders Clinical Hub (the Hub) commenced operations in January 2022. In September 2021 the government committed an additional \$195 000 for in-reach clinician for 12 months to support inpatients on the wards to facilitate early discharge including support for families and connection with services post hospital discharge. An in-reach clinician (Transitional Clinician) was appointed in February 2021 for 12 months to carry out these duties. The Family Based Therapy Group to provide carers/parents with skills to manage eating disorders is operational through the Eating Disorders Clinical Hub. The University Led Student Clinic provides early intervention and is also in operation - an initiative through the eating disorders clinical hub. The combined number of additional FTE planned through the 2020-21 2021-22 and 2022-23 equates to 399.7 in the 2022-23 financial year - excluding time limited COVID-19 and DHP positions. This number will increase to 556.3 by 2025-26.	\$2M over four years. Funding to be identified through a future budget process	Not yet commenced
PaGA 16.6	Improve programs that target and support youth mental health eating disorders alcohol/drug use/mental health First Nations mental health First Nations suicide prevention & postvention and respite for mental health carers	Minister for Mental Health	October 2020	Ongoing			On track
PaGA 2.1	Employ an additional 400 doctors nurses and allied health worker	Minister for Health		This work is being to be confirmed.			On track
PaGA 2.8	Invest \$15 million in more mental health support for Canberra's young people	Minister for Mental Health	October 2020	2024-25	As additional funding and supports for youth mental health was provided in the 21-22 and 22-23 budgets this commitment is considered to have been delivered. An update on the various funded elements is included under PaGA commitment 16.4	detailed in Progress Update. CHS Input: ESED - Funding for the ESED is provided jointly by ACT Government and the Commonwealth for the first four years for a total of \$1 914 000 over four years. Clinical Hub - Funding for the Clinical Hub is provided as part of CHS's recurrent operational budget.	Delivered / Complete

ACT Health Directorate

To: Minister for Health Tracking No.: GBC22/680

CC: Michael Culhane, A/g Deputy Director-General, ACT Health Directorate

From: Rebecca Cross, Director-General
Janet Zagari, Deputy Chief Executive Officer, Canberra Health Services

Subject: Parliamentary and Governing Agreement & Election Commitment Reporting – Internal Report 4 (ACT Health Directorate and Canberra Health Services)

Critical Date: Not Applicable

Critical Reason: Not Applicable

Recommendations

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Rachel Stephen-Smith MLA/...../.....

Minister's Office Feedback

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3. In September 2022, Chief Minister, Treasury and Economic Development Directorate (CMTEDD) sought updates from Directorates on commitments only within Appendix 1 and Appendix 2 of the PaGA which was considered by Cabinet in November 2022.
4. The ACT Health Directorate (ACTHD) did not provide any updates on items that fall under your portfolio as the Minister for Health as there are no items captured within the current CMTEDD reporting scope.
5. ACTHD, in collaboration with Canberra Health Services (CHS), undertakes regular internal reporting that is designed to provide you with updates on the status of all health portfolio commitments, noting these fall out of scope of the current Whole of Government (WHoG) reporting process.
6. You have previously been briefed via this internal reporting process for commitments included in Appendix 3 and 4 of the PaGA. This reporting also includes commitments sourced from the Chief Minister's commissioning letters provided to Ministers from the beginning of the current term of government.

Issues

7. ACTHD undertook the fourth round of reporting on commitments within PaGA and has sought input from ACTHD business units and CHS on identified initiatives that fall within your portfolio responsibilities. A full report is available at [Attachment A](#).

Status Update as at December 2022

8. In summary, of 49 initiatives, the following status was recorded:
 - a. 5 are delivered (Labor 6, 10.13,11.3, 12.15, PaGA 12.1d))
 - b. 30 are on track (Labor 1.6,10.16, 10.16a, 10.16b, 10.16c, 10.18, 10.2, 12.20, 7.6, PaGA 12.1a, 12.1b, 12.1c, 12.1e, 12.1f, 12.3, 14.2, 15.3, 17.7, 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, 2.4, 2.5, 2.6, 2.7, 20.3, 7.1, 7.2, 7.5, 9.3);
 - c. 4 are under consideration (Labor 11, 12.4b,c,d&e, PaGA20.5, 7.4)
 - d. 6 have not yet commenced (Labor 4.12,9.3,PaGA 12.2, 12.4, 15.1, 15.2); and
 - e. 4 are delayed (Labor 10.14,2.8c, PaGA 20.6,7.3).
9. ACTHD anticipates providing you with further updates mid-2023, to be aligned closely with WHoG reporting activities administered by CMTEDD.

Financial Implications

10. Not applicable.

ConsultationInternal

11. All business areas within ACTHD were consulted for input to Report 4.

Cross Directorate

12. ACTHD worked closely with CHS to inform updates on initiatives listed within Attachment A.

External

13. Not Applicable.

Work Health and Safety

14. Not applicable.

Benefits/Sensitivities

15. To ensure objectives of the reporting mechanism are met, input and updates are required from all areas within ACTHD and CHS to ensure commitments are met.

Communications, media and engagement implications

16. Not applicable.

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Attachments

Attachment	Title
Attachment A	Parliamentary and Governing Agreement & Election Commitments Reporting – Internal Report 4

Reference No	Category	Initiative	Lead Portfolio	Expected Commencement Date	Expected Completion Date	Report 4 (Dec 2022) - Progress Update	Budget	Delivery Status
						Amnesty from dispute period ended on 30 June 2022. This means that breaches to the agreement can now be managed via the dispute process within the ACT PS Nursing and Midwifery EA. CHS and CPMB continue to refine their reporting processes. Point in time reports continue as neither health service is yet to find a solution to provide live reporting of compliance. ACT HD reporting of compliance is progressing through the digital solution team and has been provided for endorsement through the Ratio Implementation Steering Committee. Preliminary work has commenced in anticipation of Phase Two Ratios being included in the EA bargaining - that has begun.		
Labor 1.6	More health care workers	Progress as a matter of priority negotiations for the new enterprise agreement for nurses and midwives including the implementation of mandated nurse/midwife to patient ratios.	Minister for Health	Ratios began being implemented at CHS at	December 2022		Funded through 2020-21 and 2021-22 Budget HEA E02 (2021-22 budget).	On track
Labor 10.13	Empowering patients for better healthcare	Establish a public non-surgical program for knee osteoarthritis using the Good Living with Arthritis: Denmark (GLAD) model of care.	Minister for Health	8 June 2021	Ongoing	Complete: The GLAD clinic has been expanded to another health centre and permanently funded from	Funding may be sought through a future budget process.	Delivered/Complete
Labor 10.14	Empowering patients for better healthcare	For people under 40 who are diagnosed with cancer and don't have more than one biological child a re-elected Labor Government will offer a single point of contact to access fertility preservation. We will work with existing providers to deliver appropriate fertility preservation services for individual patients according to their needs.	Minister for Health	2023-24	Ongoing			Delayed
Labor 10.16	Empowering patients for better healthcare	Continue to improve access to telehealth and support this with nurse-led services and integration with General Practice other primary care providers and non-government partners.	Minister for Health	Ongoing	2023	See comments at Labor 10.16 (a), (b) and (c)	No additional funding required	On track
Labor 10.16 (a)	Empowering patients for better healthcare	Continue to improve access to telehealth	Minister for Health			Telehealth continues to be used across a variety of clinical services including the COVID Care@Home program. There are currently over 264 clinics set up to use telehealth across CHS. In 2021-22 there were 58 545 telehealth appointments conducted by CHS (comprising 11 423 video and 47 122 telephone appointments). Work is commencing to develop a CHS framework for virtual care to guide the delivery of telehealth across services. PPP Input: ACTHD provides funding for telehealth services through Healthdirect for telephone and digital health information. ACT call volumes were 3 282 in July 2022 2 959 in August 2022 and 2 458 in September 2022.	no additional funding required	On track
Labor 10.16 (b)	Empowering patients for better healthcare	Improve Access to nurse led services	Minister for Health			The Walk-In Centres (WICs) continue to provide nurse-led services across the Territory having treated around 70 000 people with non-life threatening injuries illnesses and ailments this year (170 November 2022). Since September 2022 the nurse-led WICs began treating children aged one year and older providing more options for families with young children to seek local free treatment for minor ailments while diverting young children away from our emergency departments where appropriate. Previously only children aged two and above could be seen at the WICs.		On track
Labor 10.16 (c)	Empowering patients for better healthcare	Integration of support services with general Practice other primary care providers and non-government partners	Minister for Health	Ongoing		CHS continues to progress its Integrated Care Program with a focus on opportunities for improved integration and interdisciplinary care to provide patient-centred care. This has included CHS participation in the annual GP Policy Forum on 27 October 2022 which included a breakout session on integrated care to obtain feedback from GPs on future opportunities for better integration and new health hubs in the community.		On track
Labor 10.18	Empowering patients for better healthcare	Continue to invest beyond 2021 to implement the Stroke Foundation's Specialist F.A.S.T education program.	Minister for Health	Funding for two existing Stroke Foundation projects (beginning 2018) has been extended. New funding for a 3rd project will commence following the 2021/22 budget announcements	2025	CHS Input: The CHS Stroke Service is aware and supportive of the boosted funding for the F. A. S. T. education program but has no role beyond this. PPP Input - There are F.A.S.T. implementation plans for GP education event in early 2023 and that recruitment of StrokeSafe speakers and delivery of StrokeSafe talks to community have already commenced. There has been the delivery of stroke education to staff in the ACT health system with a National Webinar Series and a training session	Funded through the 2021-22 Budget HEA E16	On track
Labor 10.2	Empowering patients for better healthcare	Invest \$7 milion to introduce a new model of patient navigation to better coordinate care across the health system for people with chronic and complex conditions.	Minister for Health	January 2022	30/06/22	CHS Input: The Integrated Care Program (ICP) team are continuing to explore and identify current examples of integrated care models and that aim to be expanded or to replicate across the health system with particular interest in models of care to assist people with complex needs. The ICP are currently focused on exploring initiatives that can improve integration of care for two priority cohorts: people with mental health issues and comorbid conditions and people who frequently attend the emergency department. The ICP are also building on stakeholder consultations from July/August 2021 and have initiated the first two stakeholder engagement panel workshops seeking targeted input from stakeholders on the types of integrated models of care and patient navigation options including the infrastructure systems and processes to enable integrated care and that best supports the community. CHS continues to work with ACTHD to align community engagement activities with the Northside Clinical Services Plan and the Northside Hospital.	Funded through 20-21 & 21-22 budget	On track

						At the completion of the 2021-22 financial year the elective surgery program saw 95% of the projected procedures completed with a shortfall of 800 procedures predominantly within Calvary Public Hospital Bruce (CPHB). The full year outcome was impacted by COVID induced reductions in elective surgery and bed and staffing capacity shortages. The targets for 2022-23 financial year were modified to allow for capacity reductions related to the implementation of DHR. As at 30 September 2022 quarter 1 performance was impacted by theatre closures and workforce availability resulting in a year to date shortfall of 593 procedures. Coupled with the under delivery in 2021-22 the program was 1 360 procedures behind target mainly in the Private Provider Program and Calvary Public Hospital Bruce.		
PaGA 12.1b	Health	Reduce Elective Surgery Waitlists.	Minister for Health	1 July 2021	Ongoing	There was a plan to deliver to target plus prior year shortfalls in place with CPHB however due to a fire in theatre 6 at CPHB in December 2022 a 1 theatres were closed. The impact of theatre closures cannot be quantified at this time.	2021-22 Budget; 2021-22 MYR and 2022-23 Budget	On track
PaGA 12.1c	Health	Build a hydrotherapy pool in Tuggeranong.	Minister for Health	Underway	December 2024	Construction is expected to commence in second half of 2023 with the pool operational by the second half of 2024 (subject to Development Application and contractor availability market conditions etc). A statement of requirements is currently being finalised to take the project to market. Operational funding will be considered in a future budget process that will be developed by Sport and Recreation (CMTEDD) and ACT Health Directorate in conjunction with ACT Property Group as the ultimate owner of the Tuggeranong Pool PPP input - The planning and design work for the development of a new hydrotherapy pool in Canberra's south will continue in 2022-23. Construction could be expected to commence in mid/second half of 2023 and the pool be operational approximately second half of 2024 subject to Development Application and contractor availability and market conditions. ACTHD will continue to consult with pool users and stakeholders as part of the construction process to ensure the new facility meets the needs of the community.	The 2022-23 Budget provides \$8.5 million over three years towards the detailed design and construction of a new hydrotherapy facility adjacent to the Tuggeranong Lakeside Leisure Centre.	On track
PaGA 12.1d	Health	Expand Hospital in the Home.	Minister for Health	May 2018 - See comments in Progress not	30 June 2022	The Care Close to Home project was successfully completed in June 2022. HSPG engaged KPMG for an evaluation of the project. The evaluation report was finalised in November 2022. The report found that: The project was successful at expanding the scope and activity of HITH; HITH services at both hospitals are delivering safe and high quality services; patient satisfaction with HITH is high, and staff report a positive working environment although with concerns about resourcing and workload.	\$34.5 million was allocated over four years 2018-19 - The Geriatric Rapid Acute Care Evaluation (GRACE) project is funded from within this budget (2018-19 Budget).	Delivered/Complete
PaGA 12.1e	Health	Invest in preventative health measures including physical activity obesity reduction and social prescribing.	Minister for Health	2020	2025	PHD Input: Mid-term review complete and provided to Population Health Division Executive for approval. Second Action Plan will be delivered in 2023 following direction to undertake public consultation in early 2023	To be delivered within existing resources.	On track
PaGA 12.1f	Health	Scope a Northside Hospital.	Minister for Health	Underway		HSPG: a draft Northside Clinical Services Plan has been completed and will be used as part of targeted stakeholder consultation over December 2022 to March 2023. ICE input - Planning continues for the delivery of a new Northside Hospital. This includes the development of a Business Case for consideration in the 2023-24 Budget Process. ICE is developing options for the Government to consider as part of this business case. These options will seek agreement to a site an operator and a clinical scope of the building. It will seek funding for detailed design and provision the capital cost. Negotiations on operator of the new facility are continuing and will hopefully be resolved in early 2023. Work on a greenfield option has commenced for inclusion in the business case. Community engagement and clinical engagement are underway and informing the project.	Funded through the 20 21 and 2021-22 Budget	On track
PaGA 12.2	Health	Improve Emergency Department responses with geriatric streaming and a Psychiatric Alcohol and non-prescription Drugs Assessment (PANDA) Unit	Minister for Health	Q2 2022-23	TBD	Proposal on approach to identifying opportunities for improved flow by expanding ED streaming discussed at Calvary Network Committee November 2022.		Not yet commenced
PaGA 12.3	Health	Introduce more end-of-life treatment and care options including a palliative care ward at the Canberra Hospital enhanced after hours palliative care palliative care respite facility for carers and a scoping study for a secular hospice	Minister for Health	Commenced	Refer comments in progress update	In September 2022 KPMG Pty Ltd was engaged to progress the Acute Palliative Care Ward Concept Development Project. Initial site options are under consideration and an Investment Logic Workshop was held in November 2022 as part of the ACT Government's Capital Framework requirements. ACTHD input - In 2020 Palliative Care ACT (PCACT) established Leo's Place to provide non-clinical palliative care respite in the ACT. The ACT government provided funding to trial the concept over 18 months. An evaluation by the University of New South Wales (UNSW) reported Leo's Place is filling a gap in service provision and should be continued. The associated costing in the budget bid for the ongoing delivery of Leo's Place was approved by Treasury through the 2022-23 ACT budget process. An agreement is being drafted for Leo's Place to continue its operation. A scoping study for a secular hospice - Not commenced. The election commitment was for \$100 000 for this project. Budget allocation has yet to take place. Enhanced after hour palliative care- this is addressed through: Community Options Incorporated providing coordination of in-home (non-clinical) support services for people with end-stage illnesses and their families.	Cabinet has approved funding of \$ 00 000 for 2020-21 (which supports the current four beds for six months to June 202) and \$608 000 in 2021-22 (which continues to support the same four beds for a further 12 months). ACTHD input - Subject to procuring PCACT to deliver this service the proposed term of the agreement will commence on contract execution and conclude in June 2026. The total funding of this agreement will be \$2 598 000 (GST exclusive).	on track
PaGA 12.4	Health	Provide an additional \$1.5 Million in Dental Care for Low Income Families	Minister for Health	2023-24 financial year	TBC - budget bid did not progress		1.5Million	Not yet commenced
PaGA 14.2	Human Services and Access	Support The Neighbourhood to secure land for Canberra's first Dementia Care Village	Minister for Health	n/a	n/a	Nil update from ICED Previous Update (Report 3): This commitment is now being lead by CMTEDD with input from EPSDD/SLA and ACTHD. ACTHD has contributed to the development of a discussion paper for consideration at Strategic Board Human Services Subcommittee and subsequent Human Services Committee of Cabinet to consider next steps for The Neighbourhood project including appropriate land options. ACTHD involvement is tied to the commitment to build a residential eating disorder facility in Coombs and provision of advice in relation to aged care and dementia policy.	n/a	On track
PaGA 15.1	Maternity	Expand capacity at the Birth Centre and establish a standalone family birth centre	Minister for Health	2024-25	2027-28	Previous Update (Report 3): The ACT Government has developed an action plan to address the Government's multiple maternity related commitments. This plan was endorsed by Cabinet in April 2022 with public release of the plan expected	Funding may be sought through a future Budget process	Not yet commenced

						Nil update provided		
PaGA 15.2	Maternity	Expand home birthing eligibility criteria	Minister for Health	2021-22	2023-24	<p>Previous Update (Report 3): The ACT Government has developed an action plan to address the Government's multiple maternity related commitments. This plan was endorsed by Cabinet in April 2022 with public release of the plan expected in the coming months. Implementation of actions within the plan will commence shortly following project planning and implementation scheduling.</p>	Funding may be sought through a future Budget process	Not yet commenced
PaGA 15.3	Maternity	Provide woman and baby-centred planning design and delivery of maternity services and increase access to breastfeeding information for new mothers	Minister for Health	2022-23	2024-25	<p>HSP: a draft Northside Clinical Services Plan has been completed and outlines plans for enhancing the capability and capacity of maternity services at the future northside hospital. PHD input - The Maternity in Focus: The ACT Public Maternity System Plan 2022-2032 is the Government's 10 year reform plan for the Public Maternity system in the ACT. The vision of Maternity in Focus is to provide the right maternity care at the right time which meets the needs of the woman or pregnant person and their family and encompasses their social emotional physical psychological spiritual and cultural needs and expectations. The Maternity in Focus: First Action Plan 2022-2025 identifies the actions for implementation in the initial 4 years. Goal 4 of the Action Plan is Enabling and empowering breastfeeding: Promote support and normalise breastfeeding exclusively for six months and continue breastfeeding with appropriate complementary foods. Specific actions 4.2 4.3 and 4.4 aim to increase breastfeeding supports and information for women and individuals through increased lactation consultants access to lactation clinics and peer support to assist individuals to make informed decisions on infant and young child feeding.</p>	Funding may be sought through a future Budget process	On track
PaGA 17.7	Disability and Carers	Develop and implement a Disability Health Strategy	Minister for Health	2021-22	Late 2023 but is subject to budget consideration in February 2023.	<p>ACTHD has recruited an ASOG for 12 months to support the SOGC officer.</p> <p>At the last two ACT Disability Health Strategy Steering Committee meetings a way forward for the development of the Strategy was discussed and decided. The Project will not be doing further consultation rather using the findings of the recent ACT Disability Strategy Health and Wellbeing consultation by the Office for Disability Community Services Directorate.</p> <p>A draft strategy is being developed and will include the ACT Disability Strategy consultation findings and related legislation policy research and literature.</p> <p>The Steering Committee will meet on 9 December to discuss the initial draft. Decisions from this meeting will be used to develop the draft ACT Disability Health Strategy for review by the Steering Committee in January before a final draft version is submitted to the Minister for Health for consideration in February 2023.</p>	The ACT DHS Project is unfunded and a budget bid will be submitted in the 2022-23 financial year to acquire adequate resources to ensure its scheduled completion.	On track
PaGA 2.1	Delivering High Quality Health Care for Canberrans	Employ an additional 400 doctors nurses and allied health worker	Minister for Health	This work is being commenced as part of 1. To be confirmed.		<p>The combined number of additional FTE planned through the 2020-21 2021-22 and 2022-23 equates to 399.7 in the 2022-23 financial year – excluding time limited COVID-19 and DHR positions. This number will increase to 516.3 by 2025-26.</p>		On track
PaGA 2.2	Delivering High Quality Health Care for Canberrans	Continue to provide accessible COVID-19 testing facilities across Canberra for as long as is needed	Minister for Health	Underway	For as long as needed	<p>PHD Input: The ACT Government continues to ensure access to COVID-19 testing and free PCR testing across the ACT. There are two COVID-19 testing centres open to the general public which are based in Garran and Holt. Across these centres COVID-19 testing is available seven days a week from 8.00am to 6pm including public holidays.</p> <p>In response to a reduction in positive case numbers and testing demand over the previous 3 months locations and opening hours of testing centres continue to be reviewed to ensure they meet community needs and demand.</p> <p>CHS Input: As demand for COVID PCR testing has decreased COVID testing sites have been decommissioned across Canberra in response. RAT detection drive thru commenced at Garran Surge Centre 22/10 staffed by Health Directorate. Public walk-in PCR testing services in ACT are at Holt and the Garran Surge Centre (CHS). Mitchell COVID testing closed 21/10. There are no drive thru COVID PCR testing services in ACT. Access and Sensory PCR testing continues to be offered to the community at the Garran Surge Centre. Garran Surge Centre publicly advertised hours of operation 10:00 - 18:30 seven days/week.</p>	All COVID related testing operations remain claimable under the Commonwealth/Territory 50/50 NPA agreement. ACTHD has requested ongoing funding for testing through the COVID-19 Response 2022-23 Budget Business case.	On track
PaGA 2.3	Delivering High Quality Health Care for Canberrans	Expand the range of services available at our five nurse-led walk-in centres	Minister for Health	Unknown	Unknown	<p>Business Case for funding for additional NPs supported. Funding to commence from January 2023. Recruitment underway with two NPs anticipated to commence in February 2023.</p>	Funding may be sought through a future Budget Process.	On track
PaGA 2.4	Delivering High Quality Health Care for Canberrans	Roll out five new local walk-in health centres in South Tuggeranong West Belconnen North Gungahlin Molonglo and the Inner South between 2021-22 and the middle of the decade offering accessible public health care across Canberra	Minister for Health	Commenced	30/06/24	<p>Feasibility study complete. Business Case for funding the initial 2 Health Hubs (previously Walk-in Health Centre) in the Inner South and South Tuggeranong prepared for submission as a 2023-24 budget initiative. HSP: The draft Northside Clinical Services Plan incorporates the community health hubs as part of planning for the northside. More detailed direction will be developed through targeted stakeholder consultation on the high level service model for the northside.</p>	\$2 000 000	On track
PaGA 2.5	Delivering High Quality Health Care for Canberrans	Deliver 60 000 elective surgeries over the next four years and establish an Elective Surgery Centre on the University of Canberra campus	Minister for Health	1 July 2021	30/06/2025	<p>Ministerial advice provided recommending not to proceed with the proposal for establishment of a Northside Elective Surgery Centre following further analysis of operating theatre capacity.</p> <p>At the completion of the 2021-22 financial year the elective surgery program saw 95% of the projected procedures completed with a shortfall of 800 procedures predominantly within Calvary Public Hospital Bruce (CPHB). The full year outcome was impacted by COVID induced reductions in elective surgery and bed and staffing capacity shortages. The targets for 2022-23 financial year were modified to allow for capacity reductions related to the implementation of DHR. As at 30 September 2022 quarter 1 performance was impacted by theatre closures and workforce availability resulting in a year to date shortfall of 593 procedures. Coupled with the under delivery in 2021-22 the program was 1 360 procedures behind target mainly in the Private Provider Program and Calvary Public Hospital Bruce. A plan to deliver to target plus prior year shortfalls is in place with CPHB.</p>	2021-22 Budget; 2021-22 MYR and 2022-23 Budget	On track
PaGA 2.6	Delivering High Quality Health Care for Canberrans	Complete the major expansion of the Canberra Hospital delivering the biggest healthcare infrastructure investment since self-government with a new emergency surgical and critical care facility to ensure we keep meeting the acute care needs of Canberra and region residents	Minister for Health	MPC commenced early planning and Enab	Construction completion of the ne	<p>ICE continue to work with CHS and MPC to ensure the implementation of the Canberra Hospital Master Plan supports and enhances the delivery of the CHE Project.</p>	Total project value \$624.5m appropriated in the 2018-19 2019-20 and 2021-22 Budgets	On track
PaGA 2.7	Delivering High Quality Health Care for Canberrans	Continue the planning and design work for a new northside hospital with the aim to start construction by mid-decade	Minister for Health	Underway	The planning work is due to be co	<p>HSP: a draft Northside Clinical Services Plan has been completed and will be used for targeted consultation over December 2022 to March 2023. The draft Plan has informed requirements for the northside hospital and has reflected updated activity forecasting. ICE input - Planning continues for the delivery of a new Northside Hospital. This includes the development of a Business Case for consideration in the 2023-24 Budget Process. ICE is developing options for the Government to consider as part of this business case. These options will seek agreement to a site an operator and a clinical scope of the building. It will seek funding for detailed design and provision the capital cost. Negotiations on operator of the new facility are continuing and will hopefully be resolved in early 2023. Work on a greenfield option has commenced for inclusion in the business case. Community engagement and clinical engagement are underway and informing the project.</p>	Funded through 2020-21 and 2021-22 Budget.	On track
PaGA 20.3	Sexual orientation gender identity and intersex rights	Provide increased funding for A Gender Agenda including for a dedicated intersex officer and delivery of services in The Friday Centre	Minister for Health	October 2021	October 2025	<p>No update from ACTHD - this initiative is led by CMTEDD</p>	Funded through the 2021-22 Budget process (\$630 000 over 4 years).	On track

							PHD input: Nil update		
PaGA 20.5	Sexual orientation gender identity and intersex rights	Roll out community based rapid HIV testing and HIV/BBV prevention efforts	Minister for Health	Expected commencement date of 2022 depending on funding for STIBBV and resourcing in the Health Protection Service	1 January 2024		CHS input: The future procurement of rapid HIV testing is subject to the outcomes of commissioning. CHSC was a stakeholder in the work shops discussions that were conducted to inform the commissioning process. CHS is of the view that HIV testing should not be de-linked from testing for other blood borne viruses (BBV) and STIs.	The Budget Business Case seeks \$245 000 annually (subject to indexation) to support peer-led rapid HIV testing awareness raising campaigns outreach services; and post-test counselling services.	Under consideration
PaGA 20.6	Sexual orientation gender identity and intersex rights	Ban gender-related surgery on intersex babies (unless necessary for preservation of life) and provide training for midwives and doctors 40	Minister for Health	Drafting of legislation commenced 2021-22 legislation to be introduced 2022-23 implementation dates TBC	TBC		ACTHD continues to work with CMTEDD to progress the drafting of legislation. Implementation of related business cases are reliant upon the introduction of the legislation.	Pending confirmation from CMTEDD about success of omnibus as a whole.	Minor Delays
PaGA 7.1	Drug Reform	Double the existing funding for services to address drug and mental health co-morbidity	Minister for Health	October 2021	TBD		Project meetings are well underway for the Watson redevelopment and Winnunga work both design consultants working well together. Preferred designs for CatholicCare and Ted noffs being discussed.	\$503 0000 (2021/2022)	On track
PaGA 7.2	Drug Reform	Introduce permanent pill testing at all ACT festivals and other sites	Minister for Health	October 2021	December 2022		PHD input: Fixed-site pilot commenced on 21 July 2022 and is currently funded to run until 20 January 2023. Festivals pill testing policy continues to apply however festival-based pill testing has been unable to proceed in 2022 due to issues with the service provider securing insurance. The fixed site service will run additional hours in the week leading up to the Split Milk festival.	\$260 0000	On track
PaGA 7.3	Drug Reform	Pilot a safe drug consumption site	Minister for Health	October 2021	TBD		PHD input: On hold as agreed by the Minister for Health in September 2022. Remains an action in the Drug Strategy Action Plan 2022-26 to be published in December	\$400 000	Delayed
PaGA 7.4	Drug Reform	Train GPs to better understand the medicinal cannabis scheme	Minister for Health	November 2022 but may be delayed if COI	TBD		PHD input: To be considered as part of 2023 workplan noting the urgency and need for this has significantly decreased and there are competing priorities in this area.	N.I.	Under consideration
PaGA 7.5	Drug Reform	Enhance drug diversion pathways for law enforcement	Minister for Health	Government amendments planned for Spring sitting 2022			PHD input: Drugs of Dependence (Personal Use) Amendment Bill 2021 was passed with Government amendments in October 2022. AOD Policy is leading the 12-month implementation process for the reforms.		On track
PaGA 9.3	First Nations	Establish a community controlled Aboriginal drug and alcohol residential rehabilitation facility and new family recovery programs	Minister for Health	Underway	June 2024		Concept designs for the facility should be complete by the end of this year after which we will progress to detailed design and construction pending funding being received in the 2023-24 Budget.	Funded through 2020-21 and 2021-22 Budget. The 2022-23 budget provides \$550 000 for Winnunga Nimmityyah to continue design work on the new alcohol and other drug residential rehabilitation facility for Aboriginal Torres Strait Islander persons; and \$51.048m for staffing for Winnunga to manage the design and construction process and prepare for the operation of the new service.	On track