



## DECISION ON YOUR ACCESS APPLICATION

I refer to your application under section 30 of the *Freedom of Information Act 2016* (FOI Act), received by Canberra Health Services (CHS) on **Tuesday 19 December 2023**.

This application requested access to:

*'I'm writing to request all documents prepared in relation to providing a media statement to The Canberra Times on Wednesday, December 13 2023 regarding WorkSafe issuing a summons to Canberra Health Services.'*

*This request includes draft responses and correspondence relating to the request.'*

I am an Information Officer appointed by the Chief Executive Officer of Canberra Health Services (CHS) under section 18 of the FOI Act to deal with access applications made under Part 5 of the Act. CHS was required to provide a decision on your access application by **Thursday 8 February 2024**.

I have identified 17 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 full access to 13 documents; and
- grant partial access to 4 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*.

### **Full Access**

I have decided to grant full access to the documents and references 11-14.

### **Partial Access**

I have decided to grant full access to the documents and references 1-10 and 15-17.

### 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)(iii) inform the community of the government's operations, including the policies, guidelines and codes of conduct followed by the government in its dealings with members of the community.

### Public Interest Factors Favouring Non-Disclosure

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

- Schedule 2, 2.2 (a)(ii) prejudice the protection of an individual's right to privacy or any other right under the Human Rights Act 2004

On balance, the factors favouring disclosure were outweighed by the factors favouring non-disclosure as the redacted information is comprised of personal information such as names and mobile numbers of non-government employees and mobile numbers and photos of ACT-Government employees. Therefore, I determined the information identified is contrary to the public interest and I 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, CHS 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](mailto:ACTFOI@ombudsman.gov.au)

Website: [ombudsman.act.gov.au](http://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](mailto:HealthFOI@act.gov.au).

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'David Jean', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

David Jean  
**Executive Branch Manager**  
Strategic Communication and Engagement

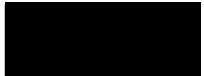
25 January 2024

## 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
	<p><i>'I'm writing to request all documents prepared in relation to providing a media statement to The Canberra Times on Wednesday, December 13 2023 regarding WorkSafe issuing a summons to Canberra Health Services.</i></p> <p><i>This request includes draft responses and correspondence relating to the request.'</i></p>	CHSFOI23-24.33

Ref Number	Page Number	Description	Date	Status Decision	Factor	Open Access release status
1.	01 - 02	Email - FW FOE RESPONSE - Media inquiry WorkSafe and Dhulwa	12 December 2023	Partial Release	Schedule 2, 2.2(a)(ii) Privacy	YES
2.	03 - 07	Email - RE Media inquiry WorkSafe and Dhulwa	12 December 2023	Partial Release	Schedule 2, 2.2(a)(ii) Privacy	YES
3.	08 - 10	Email - FW FOE RESPONSE - Media inquiry WorkSafe and Dhulwa	12 December 2023	Partial Release	Schedule 2, 2.2(a)(ii) Privacy	YES
4.	11 - 17	Email - RE Media inquiry WorkSafe and Dhulwa	12 December 2023	Partial Release	Schedule 2, 2.2(a)(ii) Privacy	YES



5.	18 - 19	Email - Re FOR APPROVAL Media inquiry WorkSafe and Dhulwa	12 December 2023	Partial Release	Schedule 2, 2.2(a)(ii) Privacy	YES
6.	20 - 21	Email - FW Media inquiry WorkSafe and Dhulwa	12 December 2023	Partial Release	Schedule 2, 2.2(a)(ii) Privacy	YES
7.	22 - 23	Email - FW Media inquiry WorkSafe and Dhulwa	12 December 2023	Partial Release	Schedule 2, 2.2(a)(ii) Privacy	YES
8.	24 - 26	Email - FW FOR APPROVAL Media inquiry WorkSafe and Dhulwa	Multiple	Partial Release	Schedule 2, 2.2(a)(ii) Privacy	YES
9.	27 - 29	Email - RE Media inquiry WorkSafe and Dhulwa	Multiple	Partial Release	Schedule 2, 2.2(a)(ii) Privacy	YES
10.	30	Microsoft Teams Screenshot 01	12 December 2023	Partial Release	Schedule 2, 2.2(a)(ii) Privacy	YES
11.	31	Microsoft Teams Screenshot 02	12 December 2023	Full Release		YES
12.	32	Text Messages 01	12 December 2023	Full Release		YES
13.	33	Text Messages 02	12 December 2023	Full Release		YES
14.	34	Text Messages 03	12 December 2023	Full Release		YES
15.	35	Text Messages 04	12 December 2023	Partial Release	Schedule 2, 2.2(a)(ii) Privacy	YES
16.	36	Text Messages 05	13 December 2023	Partial Release	Schedule 2, 2.2(a)(ii) Privacy	YES
17.	37	Text Messages 06	13 December 2023	Partial Release	Schedule 2, 2.2(a)(ii) Privacy	YES
<b>Total Number of Documents</b>						
<b>17</b>						

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**From:** CHS ED MHJHADS  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 12 December 2023 1:45 PM  
**To:** CEOHealth  
**Subject:** FW: FOE RESPONSE - Media inquiry: WorkSafe and Dhulwa

**Importance:** High

OFFICIAL

Hi Team,  
Checking if you have received any communication from Worksafe

Kel

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**From:** Williams, Gareth (Health) <Gareth.Williams@act.gov.au>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 12, 2023 12:52 PM  
**To:** CHS ED MHJHADS <CHSEDMHJHADS@act.gov.au>; Canberra Health Services Work Health Safety <CHS.WorkHealthSafety@act.gov.au>  
**Cc:** Canberra Health Services People and Culture <CHSPeople-Culture@act.gov.au>; Doyle, Tom (Health) <Tom.Doyle@act.gov.au>; Canberra Health Services Media <CHSmedia@act.gov.au>; Jean, David (Health) <David.Jean@act.gov.au>; CHS COO <CHSCOO@act.gov.au>; CHS, DCEO <CHSDCEO@act.gov.au>  
**Subject:** FOE RESPONSE - Media inquiry: WorkSafe and Dhulwa  
**Importance:** High

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Hi MHJHADS and WHS team,

Please see below a media enquiry for response back to the journo (including clearances) by COB today. Apologies, I thought this had been sent to you sooner.

Can you please provide info on the below? Please call if that's easier.

Kind Regards

Gareth Williams | Director, Media

Mobile: [REDACTED]

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From: [REDACTED]  
 Sent: Tuesday, December 12, 2023 11:04 AM  
 To: Canberra Health Services Media <[CHSmedia@act.gov.au](mailto:CHSmedia@act.gov.au)>  
 Cc: [REDACTED]  
 Subject: Media inquiry: WorkSafe and Dhulwa

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My deadline is COB today.

Kind regards,

[REDACTED]  
 Journalist  
 Australian Community Media

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**From:** Flynn, Annaliesha (Health)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 12 December 2023 2:44 PM  
**To:** Williams, Gareth (Health); Griffiths, Narelle (Health); Canberra Health Services Media; Canberra Health Services Work Health Safety  
**Cc:** Guthrie, Daniel (Health)  
**Subject:** RE: Media inquiry: WorkSafe and Dhulwa

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**From:** Williams, Gareth (Health) <Gareth.Williams@act.gov.au>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 12, 2023 2:42 PM  
**To:** Flynn, Annaliesha (Health) <Annaliesha.Flynn@act.gov.au>; Griffiths, Narelle (Health) <Narelle.Griffiths@act.gov.au>; Canberra Health Services Media <CHSmedia@act.gov.au>; Canberra Health Services Work Health Safety <CHS.WorkHealthSafety@act.gov.au>  
**Cc:** Guthrie, Daniel (Health) <Daniel.Guthrie@act.gov.au>  
**Subject:** RE: Media inquiry: WorkSafe and Dhulwa

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Ah legal liaison, no probs, I'll give Simon a call.

Cheers

Gareth Williams | Director, Media

Mobile: [REDACTED]

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**Sent:** Tuesday, December 12, 2023 2:40 PM  
**To:** Williams, Gareth (Health) <[Gareth.Williams@act.gov.au](mailto:Gareth.Williams@act.gov.au)>; Griffiths, Narelle (Health) <[Narelle.Griffiths@act.gov.au](mailto:Narelle.Griffiths@act.gov.au)>; Canberra Health Services Media <[CHSmedia@act.gov.au](mailto:CHSmedia@act.gov.au)>; Canberra Health Services Work Health Safety <[CHS.WorkHealthSafety@act.gov.au](mailto:CHS.WorkHealthSafety@act.gov.au)>  
**Cc:** Guthrie, Daniel (Health) <[Daniel.Guthrie@act.gov.au](mailto:Daniel.Guthrie@act.gov.au)>  
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Hi Gareth,

So sorry I should have been more specific, it stands for the Insurance and Legal Liaison Unit.

Insurance and Legal Liaison Unit on  
**5124 9548** or **5124 9543** or [CHS.ILLU@act.gov.au](mailto:CHS.ILLU@act.gov.au)

WHS are not aware of any WorkSafe Notices issued to CHS relating to Dhulwa since 1 Nov 2023

Many thanks

Annaliesha

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**From:** Williams, Gareth (Health) <[Gareth.Williams@act.gov.au](mailto:Gareth.Williams@act.gov.au)>  
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Thanks Annaliesha,

Sorry for my ignorance – ILLU team stands for what?

Also just confirming you're not aware of any WorkSafe notices issued to Dhulwa in the last few weeks, let's say since 1 November?

I've also left a message with the journo saying that I need a bit more information to their questions – have not heard back yet.

Kind Regards

Gareth Williams | Director, Media

Mobile: [REDACTED]

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Hi all,

It would be best to confirm this with the ILLU team as they are dealing with the GSO in supporting CHS and any staff with legal advice.

WHS doesn't have any knowledge of any recent workSafe summons.

Many thanks

Annaliesha

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**From:** Griffiths, Narelle (Health) <[Narelle.Griffiths@act.gov.au](mailto:Narelle.Griffiths@act.gov.au)> **On Behalf Of** Canberra Health Services People and Culture  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 12, 2023 1:41 PM  
**To:** Flynn, Annaliesha (Health) <[Annaliesha.Flynn@act.gov.au](mailto:Annaliesha.Flynn@act.gov.au)>  
**Subject:** FW: Media inquiry: WorkSafe and Dhulwa

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Hey Tom,

I already emailed about this. Am waiting on a call back from the journo for more info.

Cheers

Gareth Williams | Director, Media

Mobile: [REDACTED]

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Sent: Tuesday, December 12, 2023 1:34 PM

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Cc: Jean, David (Health) <[David.Jean@act.gov.au](mailto:David.Jean@act.gov.au)>; Canberra Health Services Media <[CHSmedia@act.gov.au](mailto:CHSmedia@act.gov.au)>

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Hey teams

Do you know if WorkSafe has issued a summons to Canberra Health Services or individuals at Canberra Health Services in regards to Dhulwa?

Journo is wanting to know by COB today.

Feel free to give me a buzz.

~ Tom

From: [REDACTED]

Sent: Tuesday, December 12, 2023 11:04 AM

To: Canberra Health Services Media <[CHSmedia@act.gov.au](mailto:CHSmedia@act.gov.au)>

Cc: Alana [REDACTED]

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**From:** Jean, David (Health)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 12 December 2023 3:14 PM  
**To:** Williams, Gareth (Health); Smitham, Kalena (Health)  
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Looping Kalena in

David Jean | Executive Branch Manager

Phone: [REDACTED]

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Sent: Tuesday, December 12, 2023 11:04 AM

To: Canberra Health Services Media <[CHSmedia@act.gov.au](mailto:CHSmedia@act.gov.au)>

Cc: Alana Tindale <[lanie.tindale@canberratimes.com.au](mailto:lanie.tindale@canberratimes.com.au)>

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**From:** Williams, Gareth (Health)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 12 December 2023 5:21 PM  
**To:** Stevenson, Nic (Health); CEOHealth  
**Cc:** Jean, David (Health); Canberra Health Services Media  
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Thanks Nic!

Gareth Williams | Director, Media

Mobile: [REDACTED]

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Hi Gareth

Happy for this to go.

Thanks

Nic

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**From:** Williams, Gareth (Health) <[Gareth.Williams@act.gov.au](mailto:Gareth.Williams@act.gov.au)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 12, 2023 5:01 PM  
**To:** CEOHealth <[CEOHealth@act.gov.au](mailto:CEOHealth@act.gov.au)>; Stevenson, Nic (Health) <[Nic.Stevenson@act.gov.au](mailto:Nic.Stevenson@act.gov.au)>  
**Cc:** Jean, David (Health) <[David.Jean@act.gov.au](mailto:David.Jean@act.gov.au)>; Canberra Health Services Media <[CHSmedia@act.gov.au](mailto:CHSmedia@act.gov.au)>  
**Subject:** FW: Media inquiry: WorkSafe and Dhulwa

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Hi Nic and CEO team,



Cleared by Kalena. You want to clear too?

### Questions

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Gareth Williams | Director, Media

Mobile: [REDACTED]

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**Sent:** Tuesday, December 12, 2023 4:57 PM

**To:** Williams, Gareth (Health) <[Gareth.Williams@act.gov.au](mailto:Gareth.Williams@act.gov.au)>

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Yes all good.

**From:** Williams, Gareth (Health) <[Gareth.Williams@act.gov.au](mailto:Gareth.Williams@act.gov.au)>

**Sent:** Tuesday, December 12, 2023 4:31 PM

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[Culture@act.gov.au](mailto:Culture@act.gov.au)>; Flynn, Annaliesha (Health) <[Annaliesha.Flynn@act.gov.au](mailto:Annaliesha.Flynn@act.gov.au)>; CHS, DCEO <[CHSDCEO@act.gov.au](mailto:CHSDCEO@act.gov.au)>; CEOHealth <[CEOHealth@act.gov.au](mailto:CEOHealth@act.gov.au)>

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Hi Kalena,

Based on my conversations with yourself and other areas of the service, please see below a proposed media response to the Canberra Times media enquiry, for your review and clearance:

### Questions

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### Proposed response

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Kind Regards

Gareth Williams | Director, Media

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**Sent:** Tuesday, December 12, 2023 2:40 PM

**To:** Williams, Gareth (Health) <[Gareth.Williams@act.gov.au](mailto:Gareth.Williams@act.gov.au)>; Griffiths, Narelle (Health) <[Narelle.Griffiths@act.gov.au](mailto:Narelle.Griffiths@act.gov.au)>; Canberra Health Services Media <[CHSmedia@act.gov.au](mailto:CHSmedia@act.gov.au)>; Canberra Health Services Work Health Safety <[CHS.WorkHealthSafety@act.gov.au](mailto:CHS.WorkHealthSafety@act.gov.au)>

Cc: Guthrie, Daniel (Health) <[Daniel.Guthrie@act.gov.au](mailto:Daniel.Guthrie@act.gov.au)>

Subject: RE: Media inquiry: WorkSafe and Dhulwa

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Hi Gareth,

So sorry I should have been more specific, it stands for the Insurance and Legal Liaison Unit.

Insurance and Legal Liaison Unit on  
5124 9548 or 5124 9543 or [CHS.ILLU@act.gov.au](mailto:CHS.ILLU@act.gov.au)

WHS are not aware of any WorkSafe Notices issued to CHS relating to Dhulwa since 1 Nov 2023

Many thanks

Annaliesha

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**Cc:** Guthrie, Daniel (Health) <[Daniel.Guthrie@act.gov.au](mailto:Daniel.Guthrie@act.gov.au)>

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Thanks Annaliesha,

Sorry for my ignorance – ILLU team stands for what?

Also just confirming you're not aware of any WorkSafe notices issued to Dhulwa in the last few weeks, let's say since 1 November?

I've also left a message with the journo saying that I need a bit more information to their questions – have not heard back yet.

Kind Regards

Gareth Williams | Director, Media

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Hi all,

It would be best to confirm this with the ILLU team as they are dealing with the GSO in supporting CHS and any staff with legal advice.

WHS doesn't have any knowledge of any recent workSafe summons.

Many thanks

Annaliesha

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**From:** Griffiths, Narelle (Health) <[Narelle.Griffiths@act.gov.au](mailto:Narelle.Griffiths@act.gov.au)> **On Behalf Of** Canberra Health Services People and Culture  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 12, 2023 1:41 PM  
**To:** Flynn, Annaliesha (Health) <[Annaliesha.Flynn@act.gov.au](mailto:Annaliesha.Flynn@act.gov.au)>  
**Subject:** FW: Media inquiry: WorkSafe and Dhulwa

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**Sent:** Tuesday, December 12, 2023 1:40 PM  
**To:** Doyle, Tom (Health) <[Tom.Doyle@act.gov.au](mailto:Tom.Doyle@act.gov.au)>; Canberra Health Services People and Culture <[CHSPeople-Culture@act.gov.au](mailto:CHSPeople-Culture@act.gov.au)>; CHS ED MHJHADS <[CHSEDMHJHADS@act.gov.au](mailto:CHSEDMHJHADS@act.gov.au)>  
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**Subject:** RE: Media inquiry: WorkSafe and Dhulwa

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Hey Tom,

I already emailed about this. Am waiting on a call back from the journo for more info.



Cheers

Gareth Williams | Director, Media

Mobile: [REDACTED]

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Sent: Tuesday, December 12, 2023 1:34 PM

To: Canberra Health Services People and Culture <[CHSPeople-Culture@act.gov.au](mailto:CHSPeople-Culture@act.gov.au)>; CHS ED MHJHADS <[CHSEDMHJHADS@act.gov.au](mailto:CHSEDMHJHADS@act.gov.au)>

Cc: Jean, David (Health) <[David.Jean@act.gov.au](mailto:David.Jean@act.gov.au)>; Canberra Health Services Media <[CHSmedia@act.gov.au](mailto:CHSmedia@act.gov.au)>

Subject: Media inquiry: WorkSafe and Dhulwa

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Hey teams

Do you know if WorkSafe has issued a summons to Canberra Health Services or individuals at Canberra Health Services in regards to Dhulwa?

Journo is wanting to know by COB today.

Feel free to give me a buzz.

~ Tom

From: [REDACTED]

Sent: Tuesday, December 12, 2023 11:04 AM

To: Canberra Health Services Media <[CHSmedia@act.gov.au](mailto:CHSmedia@act.gov.au)>

Cc: [REDACTED]

Subject: Media inquiry: WorkSafe and Dhulwa

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My deadline is COB today.

Kind regards,

[REDACTED]

Journalist  
**Australian Community Media**

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**From:** Cook, Caitlin  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 12 December 2023 5:47 PM  
**To:** Morgan, Mat; Williams, Gareth (Health)  
**Cc:** Jean, David (Health); Canberra Health Services Media  
**Subject:** Re: FOR APPROVAL: Media inquiry: WorkSafe and Dhulwa

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Thanks Mat - I'll run through RSS but likely won't be until tomorrow morning, at an event!

Thanks  
Caitlin

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**From:** Morgan, Mat <Mat.Morgan@act.gov.au>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 12, 2023 5:46:08 PM  
**To:** Williams, Gareth (Health) <Gareth.Williams@act.gov.au>; Cook, Caitlin <Caitlin.Cook@act.gov.au>  
**Cc:** Jean, David (Health) <David.Jean@act.gov.au>; Canberra Health Services Media <CHSmedia@act.gov.au>  
**Subject:** Re: FOR APPROVAL: Media inquiry: WorkSafe and Dhulwa

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Hi crew, Caitlin I can't see any issues. Over to you

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**From:** Williams, Gareth (Health) <Gareth.Williams@act.gov.au>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 12, 2023 5:24:51 PM  
**To:** Cook, Caitlin <Caitlin.Cook@act.gov.au>; Morgan, Mat <Mat.Morgan@act.gov.au>  
**Cc:** Jean, David (Health) <David.Jean@act.gov.au>; Canberra Health Services Media <CHSmedia@act.gov.au>  
**Subject:** FOR APPROVAL: Media inquiry: WorkSafe and Dhulwa

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Cc: [REDACTED]

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My deadline is COB today.

Kind regards,

**Lucy Bladen**

Journalist

Australian Community Media

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**To:** Doyle, Tom (Health)  
**Subject:** FW: Media inquiry: WorkSafe and Dhulwa

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Hey Tom,

Can you please take this one? Reach out to MHJHADS and WHS in P&C to see what's going on. Just cc me and Jeano in.

Thanks mate

Gareth Williams | Director, Media

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**To:** Cook, Caitlin; Morgan, Mat  
**Cc:** Doyle, Tom (Health)  
**Subject:** FW: Media inquiry: WorkSafe and Dhulwa

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Hi Caitlin and Mat,

We've received the below media enquiry from CT about WorkSafe notices at Dhulwa. Tom is touching base with the team to get some info. We'll keep you posted.

Cheers

Gareth

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Hi team,

Please see some questions below. Lanie and I have heard about CHS facing a summons from WorkSafe from multiple people and we are trying to confirm this.

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**Sent:** Wednesday, 13 December 2023 5:07 PM  
**To:** Cook, Caitlin  
**Subject:** FW: FOR APPROVAL: Media inquiry: WorkSafe and Dhulwa

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That's fine, will do.

Thanks Caitlin.

Gareth Williams | Director, Media

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Thanks Gareth –

Could we go back with additional line?

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Should team members advise CHS that they have received correspondence from WorkSafe ACT, CHS will provide appropriate advice and wellbeing support to those team members.

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**From:** Smitham, Kalena (Health)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 13 December 2023 5:17 PM  
**To:** Williams, Gareth (Health)  
**Subject:** RE: Media inquiry: WorkSafe and Dhulwa

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Yes ok.

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FYI Kalena - Final media response below, one additional sentence added by the MO.

Kind Regards

Gareth Williams | Director, Media

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Hi [REDACTED]



Please attribute the below to a CHS spokesperson:

*Canberra Health Services is not aware of any summons, notices or requests for information issued to Canberra Health Services or Dhulwa Mental Health Unit by WorkSafe ACT recently.*

*We do not have oversight over correspondence that WorkSafe ACT may directly issue to team members. This would be for individual team members or WorkSafe ACT to advise if it has occurred, if they choose. Should team members advise CHS that they have received correspondence from WorkSafe ACT, CHS will provide appropriate advice and wellbeing support to those team members.*

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12 December 2023 12:30 pm

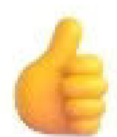
Hey mate, you going okay with that Dhulwa one?

12 December 2023 1:37 pm

Need to can our catch up this arvo, sorry. Too much on with urgent timeframes



Don't worry about Dhulwa. I've already had chats, emails and calls, i'll just keep running with it as it's too hard to transfer over.



12/12/23 1:40 PM

hi Narelle, yep and working on the media request now 😊



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Griffiths, Narelle (Health) 12/12/23 1:40 PM

NG

ok

Tom from media has also sent an email. i have sent it to you for your records



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Thanks

Got it, thanks

Great, thanks

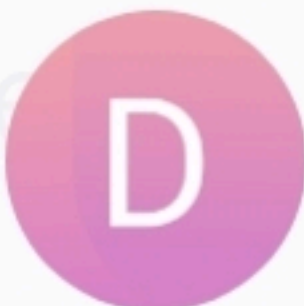


Griffiths, Narelle (Health) is out of office and may not respond



Type a message



< Nice  David Jean



Tuesday, 12 Dec • 3:11 pm

Kalena seems to know a bit about it



I'm in a health literacy campaign meeting until 430, but I've texted Kalena to say I can give her a call when she's free

We're in minister's briefing at moment

Okay, I can call her after

Tuesday, 12 Dec • 3:16 pm

Hi Kalena, I can give you a quick call about this Dhulwa media enquiry when you have a sec? DJ said you have some info about this?

3:16 pm • SMS



Text message



Tuesday, 12 Dec • 5:13 pm

Hey Nic, sent an email to CEO inbox only a few minutes ago with a media response cleared by Kalena. Not sure if you think Dave wants to clear?

5:13 pm • 



RCS message







Caitlin Cook



I've sent you and Mat a response to [REDACTED] Dhulwa questions. I did advise her earlier this arvo that we may not be able to get it to her today.



Wednesday, 13 Dec • 4:16 pm

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Hi Gareth, how's the response on Dhulwa/ WorkSafe coming along?

I'll chase up MO now

I'm just waiting on MO clearance, sorry.

Just sent, sorry for lateness

5:09 pm • SMS



Text message





< Caitlin Cook



Wednesday, 13 Dec • 4:18 pm

Hi Caitlin, [REDACTED] is chasing me on the Dhulwa/Worksafe response. Any update? Cheers

Standby



Give us a buzz if you need any other context

Sorry, had a bit more to add that I just remembered