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RESPONSE TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

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Question No. 347

MR RATTENBURY MLA: To ask the Minister for Health

1. In relation to the incorporation of the Ngunnawal Bush Healing Farm, are there incorporation issues; if so, what are those issues.
2. Who has been consulted in relation to the incorporation.
3. Who is responsible for decisions about it.

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

The Ngunnawal Bush Healing Farm (NBHF) has been in operation since 2017 and is currently managed by the ACT Health Directorate (ACTHD). The ACT Government is committed to transitioning the NBHF to community control and residential services. ACTHD intends to run an open and transparent process later this year to identify the most appropriate Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisation (ACCO) to transition the operations of the NBHF.

The establishment of ACCO does not require consultation with the ACT Government. The decision-making responsibility for incorporation of an ACCO rests with the organisation and the registering authority.

Approved for circulation to the Member and incorporation into Hansard.



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Minister for Health

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