

Response to question on notice

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Question No. 836

Mr Rattenbury MLA: To ask the Minister for Health

- 1) In relation to the Government response to Pegasus Economics Report: Review of the ACT Budget 2025-26, (a) what are the specific expected outcomes of the Canberra Health Services transformation program for which the Government will provide \$13 million over three years, (b) what specific outcomes have been delivered so far, (c) how are those outcomes being measured and (d) how much has been spent on this program so far.

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

- 1)
 - a) The expected outcome of the Canberra Health Services' (CHS) Transformation Program is short term financial reform and medium-term service reform. Currently there are more than 20 projects under the Program that have begun or are in early planning. Some of these projects are delivering short term financial efficiencies and others are aimed at longer term reform that may not result in immediate efficiencies but will transform the way services are delivered to be more effective, efficient and sustainable.
 - b) The short-term financial reform projects are largely focussed on the corporate and administration practices and are delivering immediate efficiencies to the CHS budget and increases in revenue collection. To date the projects have delivered:
 - \$8.2m higher revenue for inpatient and facility fees;
 - \$1.1m in procurement efficiencies;
 - \$4.9m in workforce control efficiencies; and
 - \$24m in agency nursing efficiencies.
 - c) Each project under the Program has its own goals and measurement criteria. All service reform projects have a patient-centred approach, with reform aimed at making services better for consumers and more efficient for the health service.
 - d) The Program has spent \$750k to date. Procurements are imminent for a number of the Program projects.

Approved for circulation to the Member and incorporation into Hansard.



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