

Children and Young People (Death Review Committee) Appointment 2024 (No 4)

Disallowable instrument DI2024–202

made under the

Children and Young People Act 2008, Section 727D (Appointment of Committee members)

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Chapter 19A of the *Children and Young People Act 2008* (the Act) provides for the establishment of the Children and Young People Death Review Committee (the Committee). Section 727D (1) requires the Minister to appoint at least 8 but not more than 10 members to the Committee.

This instrument appoints Dr Bronwen Phillips as a member of the ACT Children and Young People Death Review Committee. The terms of appointment are for a period of three years in accordance with section 727D (6). Under the *Legislation Act 2001*, section 229 the instrument of appointment is a Disallowable Instrument.

The ACT Remuneration Determination 18 of 2023 (Part-time Public Office Holders) has granted a per diem payment of \$875 to members of the Committee who are not public servants. Dr Bronwen Phillips is not a Public Servant

Division 19.3.3, section 228 of the *Legislation Act 2001* requires that appointments to statutory positions made by the Minister be made after consultation with a Standing Committee of the Legislative Assembly. The Standing Committee on Education and Community Inclusion was consulted, and no comment was provided.

This Disallowable Instrument is necessary to provide the appointees who are not ACT Public Servants with the statutory authority to perform the functions of ACT Children and Young People Death Review Committee members pursuant to the provisions of the *Children and Young People Act 2008*.

Dr Phillips is a research fellow, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health program at the Australian National University Research School of Population Health. Dr Phillips has an undergraduate degree in optometry, a first-class honours degree in psychology, and a PhD in epidemiology on the topic of Aboriginal mortality in an urban cohort. Dr Phillips has experience in designing and leading major complex research projects in epidemiology, public health, optometry, and psychology to understand health service needs and ensure appropriate resourcing.