



Triple Bottom Line (TBL) Assessment Summary

The Triple Bottom Line Assessment is required to be published in accordance with Part 4, section 23 (1)(b) of the Freedom of Information Act 2016

20/221 2020-21 COVID-19 Funding

Summary of impacts:

- This proposal will significantly strengthen the capacity of the ACT health system to meet the health needs and support the wellbeing of Canberra's in the COVID-19 environment.
- This proposal seeks additional ACT government appropriation to ensure continued capacity of the health system and will have a significant negative impact on the Territories net operating result.
- This proposal supports on-going scenario planning and implementation to balance health social impacts for people in the community in terms of social restrictions and measures. This will enable ACT residents feel safe in managing their daily activities including our most vulnerable in the community.
- Prevention strategies implemented and on-going planning will ensure COVID-19 cases remain low, which will see lifting of social restrictions enabling social and economic activity including employment and education.

Level of impact	Positive	Negative	Neutral
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Social		
Level of impact	Impact	Summary
Positive	Gender Equality	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funding will positively affect all members of the community, regardless of gender
Positive	Health (Community and mental health)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This proposal will significantly strengthen the capacity of the ACT health system to meet the health needs and support the wellbeing of Canberra's in the COVID -19 environment. • This proposal will respond to immediate and on-going pressures by ensuring the health system is well prepared in the prevention and treatment of the virus.
Positive	Access to services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The implementation of the Agreement will improve health service delivery in the ACT to adequately respond to unpredictable demands. This will be achieved through the expansion of front-line services, support to the non-government sector.
Positive	Access to social inclusion/participation and community activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This proposal supports on-going scenario planning and implementation to balance health social impacts for people in the community in terms of social restrictions and measures. This will enable ACT residents feel safe in managing their daily activities including our most vulnerable in the community.

Positive	Human rights	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Access to public health services is a human right. This proposal will ensure greater capacity and access to health services during COVID-19.
Positive	Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This proposal will support the needs of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people which will compliment additional support provided in the Mental Health Stimulus Package. Increased testing and comprehensive contact tracing to rapidly detect cases will cover a wider geographic area, of all ages and populations, including Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people
Positive	Multicultural	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The implementation of the Agreement will support those who require the services under the Agreement regardless their ethnic background. Increased testing and comprehensive contact tracing to rapidly detect cases will cover a wider geographic area and populations.
Positive	Impacts on different age groups	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This proposal provides support for all age groups and considers impacts on older Canberran's including health support to residents in aged care homes if required. Increased testing and comprehensive contact tracing to rapidly detect cases will cover a wider demographic including all age groups
Positive	Disability	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This proposal seeks to manage health risk to the community including people with disability.

Economic		
Level of impact	Impact	Summary
Neutral	ACT Government Budget	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This proposal seeks the rollover of an existing appropriation to ensure continued capacity of the health system through COVID-19 Commonwealth funding will cover approximately 50 percent of eligible COVID-19 costs for the period of the Australian Health Sector Emergency Response Plan for COVID-19.
positive	Productivity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This proposal provides funding to increase the health workforce including front-line staff Prevention strategies implemented and on-going planning will ensure Covid-19 cases remain low which will see lifting of social restrictions enabling social and economic activity including employment and education.
Positive	Employment and labour force	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Investment in the prevention and management of COVID-19 will increase employment levels within the health sector.
Positive	Skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This proposal will see the development of plans for public health staff and training packages to assist in

		upskilling people to undertake contact tracing in the future
Positive	Investment and Economic Growth	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Investment in improved health and well-being of the community will help to soften the economic impacts of COVID-19 by leading to reduced long-term cases of COVID-19 and transition back into normal societal practices.
Positive	Cost of living	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prevention strategies implemented and on-going planning will ensure Covid-19 cases remain low which will see lifting of social restrictions enabling social and economic activity including an increase to household consumption of goods and services.

Environmental	Nil
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