**18/455 – The National Bowel Cancer Screening program – Participant Follow-up Function (Schedule D of the National Partnership Agreement on Specified Projects)**

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| **Summary of Impacts** |
| * The implementation of the program under the National Bowel Cancer Screening (NBCSP) – Participant Follow-Up Function (PFUF) outlined in this Cabinet Submission will have a number of positive social and economic effects.
* The most significant impacts of the program will be improving early diagnosis of bowel cancer to reduce morbidity and mortality, thereby improving health outcomes for Canberrans.
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*Key to impacts: Red – negative, Blue - neutral and Green - Positive.*

**Social**

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| **Health** | * The implementation of the NBCSP–PFUF Program will have significant impacts on reducing morbidity and mortality of Canberrans from bowel cancer. This will enable Canberrans who are diagnosed with bowel cancer experience a better quality of life.
* People with late stage of cancer (including bowel cancer) are more likely to have worse quality of life than those diagnosed with early stage of cancers. As a result, early detection of bowel cancer can reduce the demand for more complex cancer treatment and management which will impact acute care expenditure.
* The benefits of the NBCSP–PFUF Program could contribute to reducing the overall growth in health expenditure, which has been experienced by the ACT and other States and Territories.
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| **Justice and rights** | * The NBCSP–PFUF Program promotes health equity by targeting all sectors of the ACT population upon reaching participation age, rather than by selectively targeting particular population groups.
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**Economic**

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| **ACT Government Budget** | * Positive - NBCSP–PFUF Program has positive impacts on the ACT Government Budget as this Program is entirely funded by the Commonwealth Government and there is no requirement for financial contribution by the Territory.
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| **Productivity** | * The NBCSP–PFUF Program will contribute to reducing the negative impacts of ill health on the productivity of the ACT population.
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| **Investment** | * The NBCSP–PFUF Program may contribute to a potential slowing of the growth in demand for cancer services.
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| **Competition** | * Impacts on competition have been considered and no impacts have been identified.
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**Environmental**

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| **Energy** | * Environmental impacts have been considered and no impacts have been identified.
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