

House of Assembly Select Committee on reproductive, maternal and paediatric health services in Tasmania

Resolution

On Wednesday, 18 October 2023, the House of Assembly -

Resolved, That:—

- (1) A select committee be appointed with the power to send for persons, papers and records to inquire into, consider and report on reproductive, maternal and paediatric health and perinatal mental health services in Tasmania, with the following terms of reference:—
 - (a) to assess the adequacy, accessibility and safety of the following services for Tasmanian parents and their children in relation to:—
 - (i) reproductive health services;
 - (ii) maternal health services;
 - (iii) birth trauma;
 - (iv) workforce shortages;
 - (v) midwife professional Indemnity Insurance;
 - (vi) perinatal mental health services;
 - (vii) paediatric services for children aged 0-5 years;
 - (viii) the Child Health and Parenting Service (CHaPS).
 - (b) to examine disparities in the availability of services, staffing and outcomes between:—
 - (i) Tasmania and other Australian states and territories;
 - (ii) Tasmanians living in rural, regional and metropolitan areas;
 - (iii) Tasmanians experiencing socio-economic disadvantage; and
 - (c) to make recommendations on actions that can be taken by the State Government to ensure reproductive, maternal and paediatric health and perinatal mental health services meet the needs of Tasmanian parents, families and children.
- (2) The number of Members appointed by the House to serve on the committee be six: two nominated by the Leader of Government Business; two nominated by the Leader of Opposition Business; one nominated by the Leader of Tasmanian Greens Business and an Independent Member nominated by the Mover.
- (3) The committee shall report by 9 April 2024.