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**Oral Question 152-18(3): Homecare Services**

This letter is in follow up to the Oral Question you raised on February 23, 2018 regarding Homecare Services.

The Department of Health and Social Services (Department) issued a Request for Proposal (RFP) for the Home and Community Care review on February 16, 2018. This comprehensive review of homecare services will help document resources currently available by region and community that support the delivery of home and community care services, to determine future needs and any gaps in services, and options to better match needs with funding available through the Government of the Northwest Territories and the federal government.

The RFP includes a proposed schedule to hire a contractor by April 1, 2018, and for the review to be completed by February 4, 2019. This timeframe is subject to change, depending on the successful proposal and proponent's proposed methodology and schedule to complete the scope of work and deliverables to the quality required.

The Department is presently synthesizing research and working on a decision paper for the Paid Family/Community Caregiver pilots. This work will provide us with a number of options that we can use for piloting either community caregiver or family support givers at a community level. We are hoping to have the pilots designed by fall 2018, with pilots beginning late in the 2018-19 fiscal year.

Thank you.

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