

# Children and Young People (Death Review Committee) Appointment 2024 (No 2)

## Disallowable instrument DI2024–39

made under the

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

## EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

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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 Professor Morag McArthur 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.

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*.

Professor Morag McArthur was the foundation Director of the Institute of Child Protection Studies at the Australian Catholic University. As a social work academic within the School of Allied Health, Australian Catholic University, Morag has over 30 years of teaching and research experience. Professor McArthur has worked with Commonwealth, State and Territory Government departments, non-government and community organisations on a wide range of research and evaluation projects. These

projects are aimed specifically at improving policy and practice that affect children, young people and their families. Professor Morag McArthur is not a Public Servant.