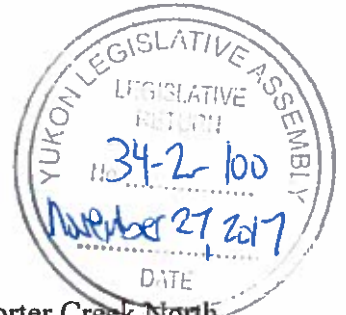


**LEGISLATIVE RETURN**

**SUBMITTED BY:** Pauline Frost, Minister of Health and Social Services



1. On Tuesday, October 24, 2017 from Geraldine Van Bibber, MLA Porter Creek North

asked the following question during the Oral Question Period at page(s) 1281 of *Hansard*

submitted the following written question – WQ No. \_\_\_\_\_

gave notice of the following motion for the production of papers – MPP No. \_\_\_\_\_

RE: \_\_\_\_\_

**OR**

2. This legislative return relates to a matter outstanding from discussion related to:


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on \_\_\_\_\_ at page(s) \_\_\_\_\_ of *Hansard*.

The response is as follows:

Please see attached.

Nov 27, 2017  
Date

  
Signature

**Table as a return:**

I would like to table a response to questions raised by Ms. Van Bibber on October 24th, 2017.

*In Edmonton last week, the minister agreed to support the development of an action plan to support the implementation of a pan-Canadian framework on AMR. Could the minister update this House on what our government is doing to address AMR? What contributions is the Yukon making to this framework on AMR?*

In September, federal, provincial, territorial Ministers of Health agreed to support a pan-Canadian Framework on Tackling Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) and Antimicrobial Use. The framework is a joint effort by Ministers of Health and Agriculture to combat the risks of antimicrobial resistance in a coordinated, multi-sectoral and effective manner.

The framework identifies opportunities for action and desired outcomes under four pillars – 1/ Surveillance, 2/ Infection prevention and control, 3/ Stewardship, and 4/ Research and innovation.

At recent Health Minister meetings in October, Health Ministers were updated on development of an action plan that will support implementation in each of these areas.

In Yukon, health professionals are aware of and work on a daily basis to reduce the threat posed by AMR. This is very much a part of the work we do across the health system. Yukon hospitals, for example, actively educate the public and staff on how to avoid the spread of disease. Hospital staff routinely screen patients for possible AMR infections and take extra precautions to prevent the spread of disease if they think there may be a risk of AMR infection. Yukon Hospital Corporation has established an Infection Control and Prevention Committee that includes quality, infection control and pharmacy among others to identify practical ways to address AMR.

Through this national work underway, Yukon will participate with all the provincial, territorial and federal governments to identify and promote a range of best practices for how to contain the risks posed by AMR infection.

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As a territory, we stand to benefit from the experts-led work to connect both the human and animal health sectors in this effort. We will continue to work collaboratively to enable a sustainable and effective pan-Canadian response to AMR.

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