

Senate Community Affairs Committee
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Question No: 139

Topic: White Ribbon Workplace program

Hansard Page: Written

Senator Cash asked:

It is stated that the program will be structured around three elements – ambassadors, accreditation and awards. How was this structure determined?

Answer:

The structure was informed by the work undertaken by the former National Council to Reduce Violence against Women and their Children in developing their report, *A Time for Action*, and across the Commonwealth, states and territories in developing the *National Plan to Reduce Violence against Women and their Children*. It also draws on the existing work of the White Ribbon Foundation.

It recognises the importance of the role of the broader community, in this instance through workplaces, and the need to engage men in both reducing and preventing violence against women.