

**Mid-term Review Committee of the 18th Legislative Assembly  
Yellowknife South MLA Julie Green to Minister Louis Sebert  
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**MS. GREEN:** Thank you, Mr. Chair. Mr. Chair, this question is for the Minister of Justice. In his mandate letter for the Minister of Justice, the Premier asks him to, "improve our social response to crime reduction by examining and analyzing social indicators, conducting research on what works to reduce crime, and identifying any gaps and territorial programming." My question for the Minister is: how is this work progressing? Thank you.

**CHAIRPERSON (Mr. Lafferty):** Minister Sebert.

**HON. LOUIS SEBERT:** Thank you, Mr. Chair. One of our successes in this area is the integrated case management operation. I can advise this house that we will be receiving an evaluation report shortly. This has assisted members of the community who have multiple needs and I think it is an important and successful program. ICM is working well and hopefully, it will work well into the future. Thank you.

**MS. GREEN:** Thank you, Mr. Chair. Mr. Chair, my question is for the Minister of Justice. The mandate letter doesn't direct the Minister to revamp the program for men who use violence in their relationships, and nor did the assessment of the program completed a year ago, yet a revamp is what this program got despite pleas from regular MLAs not to fix what wasn't broken. How does the Minister's approach to A New Day demonstrate his commitment and willingness to work with Regular MLAs in the spirit of the openness and transparency he touted in his candidacy speech? Mahsi.

**CHAIRPERSON (Mr. Lafferty):** Minister Sebert.

**HON. LOUIS SEBERT:** Thank you, Mr. Chair. I think we all recognize this as a very serious issue. It is part of the government's initiative and partnership to prevent and reduce family violence. The original A New Day program, of course, was a pilot project, and when that pilot came to the end of its term, or prior to its coming to the end of its term, we did ask for an evaluation of the program. As a result of that evaluation, some changes were made to the program, which in our view, improved it. For example, men who had left the program were allowed to re-enter the program later on. Based on that, we did make some changes to the program which we think led to an improvement. Thank you, Mr. Chair.