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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES STANDING COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT Inquiry into mental health and workforce participation Chair: Ms Amanda Rishworth MP Deputy Chair: Mr Rowan Ramsey MP

INQUIRY INTO MENTAL HEALTH AND WORKFORCE PARTICIPATION

CENTRE FOR MENTAL HEALTH RESEARCH TO APPEAR AT CANBERRA PUBLIC HEARING

The House of Representatives Standing Committee on Education and Employment will hear from the Australian National University's Centre for Mental Health Research at a public hearing in Canberra on Friday 13 May.

The Committee will also take evidence from the International Society for Research on Internet Intervention, the Mental Health Community Coalition ACT, and Vista Vocational Services, for its second public hearing for the inquiry into mental health and workforce participation.

The Committee's Chair, Ms Amanda Rishworth, said that "so far over 40 submissions have been received and the Committee is delighted with the range of organisations that are keen to come forward and present evidence on this important issue."

Details of the public hearing are as follows:

Date: Friday 13 May 2011

Time:9.05 amThe International Society for Research on Internet Interventions9:40 amMental Health Community Coalition ACT10.25 amBreak10.35 amVista Vocational Services11.15 amCentre for Mental Health Research, ANU12.00 noonAdjournment

Venue: Committee Room 1R2, Parliament House, Canberra

For media comment: contact the Committee Chair, Ms Amanda Rishworth MP on 0416 086 019 .

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