



LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

SELECT COMMITTEE ON BIRTH TRAUMA

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BIRTH TRAUMA HEARINGS CONTINUE NEXT MONDAY

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The Select Committee on Birth Trauma will hold its third public hearing on Monday 9 October 2023 at NSW Parliament in Sydney.

The committee will hear from First Nations and culturally and linguistically diverse experts and organisations, individuals with lived experience, peak medical bodies, maternity consumer groups, and an organisation empowering fathers with perinatal education.

The Hon Emma Hurst MLC, Chair of the Select Committee commented on the importance of these witnesses: "The committee is looking forward to hearing the experience and recommendations of First Nations and culturally and linguistically diverse individuals and organisations. These experiences are critical to understanding the issues faced by these communities, and their voices are pivotal in ensuring socially and culturally respectful maternity care."

Noting the significant contribution that lived experience witnesses continue to bring to the inquiry, the Chair commented: "The committee continues to be incredibly grateful to lived experience witnesses for sharing their stories. These contributions are powerful, informative and vital for improving maternity care in New South Wales."

The Chair concluded: "The committee looks forward to hearing unique insights into the experience of birth trauma from this diverse range of stakeholders. The committee thanks all organisations and individuals for their continuing contribution to this inquiry."

Hearing details

The hearing will be held on Monday 9 October 2023.

The hearing will be open to the public, and live streamed on the NSW Parliament's website: <https://www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/Pages/webcasts.aspx>

For more information about this inquiry, please visit the [inquiry webpage](#).

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