

AUSTRALIAN COMMISSION ON SAFETY AND QUALITY IN HEALTH CARE

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Dear Mr Downie

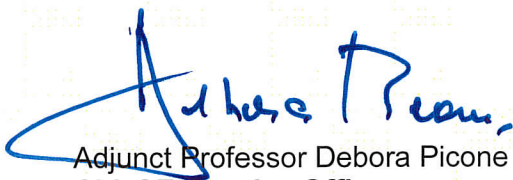
Feedback on Draft IHPA Work Program 2016-17

I am writing on behalf of the Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care (the Commission) in response to your request for feedback on the *Draft IHPA Work Program 2016-17*. Overall, the proposed work program appears comprehensive and I have no specific comments.

As noted in the *Draft IHPA Work Program 2016-17*, the Commission and the Independent Hospital Pricing Authority have been working together to consider potential approaches to pricing for safety and quality in public hospital services in Australia. The Commission looks forward to the continued collaboration between the two agencies in 2016-17, noting that the implementation of the Heads of Agreement on Public Hospital Funding will be a key element of this work.

If you have any questions in relation to this matter, please contact Catherine Katz, Director, Safety and Quality Information Systems and Intergovernmental Relations at catherine.katz@safetyandquality.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



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