



Australian Government
Department of Health

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Dear Peter

Sunsetting legislative instrument - *Health Insurance (Approved Pathology Undertakings) Approval 2002*

Further to OBPR's advice on 30 August 2017 to the Department regarding the sunseting legislative instrument titled Health Insurance (Approved Pathology Undertakings) Approval 2002 (the Pathology Undertakings), I am writing to advise that the Department of Health certifies that the Pathology Undertakings has been operating effectively and efficiently to date. The department has undertaken a comprehensive review of the Pathology Undertakings and is proposing the instrument is remade. As the instrument is being remade without any materially significant changes, a Regulation Impact Statement is not required (OBPR ID 22750).

The assessment that the regulation is operating effectively and efficiently has been informed by a consultation process with the Department of Human Services, who manages the administrative arrangements relating to the accreditation status of pathology laboratories.

I acknowledge that OBPR will publish this letter for transparency purposes

Should you have any queries, please contact Mr Jack Quinane, Assistant Secretary (A/g), Primary Care, Analytics and Pathology Branch on (02) 6289 8430, or jack.guinane@health.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Penny Shakespeare'.

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