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Dear Mr Lye

Certification of Impact Analysis Equivalent – Revised Approach to In-Home Care Services: Home Care Packages

Thank you for your letter of 13 May 2024 certifying the Royal Commission into Aged Care Quality and Safety undertook a process and analysis equivalent to an Impact Analysis (IA).

The Office of Impact Analysis (OIA) acknowledges the certification as an Impact Analysis Equivalent (IAE). Under the *Australian Government Guide to Policy Impact Analysis*, the OIA does not assess the adequacy of the analysis contained in an IAE but does assess whether the options analysed in the certified documents are relevant to the policy proposal. The OIA also assesses the IAE for the coverage of the seven IA questions conducted and whether the IAE or certification letter identifies regulatory costs.

In this case, the OIA's assessment is that the options analysed in the IAE are sufficiently relevant to the regulatory proposal. The IAE contains additional analysis prepared by the Department of Health and Aged Care to address IA questions 6 and 7. Regarding the additional analysis, the OIA notes it would have benefitted from more information on how wait time data is reported to ensure accountability.

We would appreciate you advising us when a final decision has been announced and forwarding a copy of the IAE in a form meeting the Government's accessibility requirements. The OIA will publish the IAE, along with your certification, on the OIA's website at oia.pmc.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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