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Penny Shakespeare  
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Dear Ms Shakespeare

### **Impact Analysis – Second Pass Final Assessment – Building the General Practice Workforce to Strengthen Medicare**

Thank you for your letter of 22 February 2025 submitting an Impact Analysis (IA) for formal Second Pass Final Assessment. I note the IA has been formally certified at the Deputy Secretary level consistent with the *Australian Government Guide to Policy Impact Analysis* (the Guide).

I appreciate the Department's constructive engagement on the IA. The Office of Impact Analysis' (OIA) assessment is that the quality of the analysis in the IA is Adequate. While the IA describes the policy problem well, to be considered Good Practice as per the Guide, the IA would have benefitted from further analysis of the likely costs, benefits and overall net impact of each option.

The IA may now be provided to the decision-maker to inform their decision.

#### **Next steps**

After announcement, the OIA will publish the IA, in a form meeting the Government's web accessibility requirement, along with your certification letter, at [oia.pmc.gov.au](http://oia.pmc.gov.au). The IA must be included in any Explanatory Memorandum or Statement giving effect to the proposals in the IA.

If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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