



## Australian Government

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Dear Ms Abhayaratna

#### **Impact Analysis – Healthcare Identifiers Reform – Second Pass Final Assessment**

I am writing in relation to the attached Impact Analysis (IA) prepared in relation to reform of the Healthcare Identifiers legislative framework.

I am satisfied that the IA addresses the concerns raised in your letter of 17 June 2025. Specifically, these were addressed by including the following additional information:

- clarification of the costs included in the regulatory burden estimate
- more detailed explanation of the assumptions used to find the costs and benefits to different stakeholder groups
- additional information on decision points for the policy and key implementation milestones
- additional detail on how evaluation data will be used, and
- updates throughout the document in response to the more detailed feedback provided.

The regulatory burden to business, community organisations or individuals is quantified using the Australian Government's *Regulatory Burden Measurement* framework and is provided below.

### Regulatory burden estimate table

Average annual regulatory costs (from business as usual)				
Change in Costs (\$ m)	Business	Community Organisations	Individuals	Total Change in Cost
Option 2	\$0.33	\$0	\$0	\$0.33
Option 3	\$2.50	\$0	\$0	\$2.50

Accordingly, I am satisfied that the IA is consistent with the six principles for Australian Government policy makers as specified in the *Australian Government Guide to Policy Impact Analysis*.

I submit the IA to the Office of Impact Analysis for formal final assessment.

Yours sincerely



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