

**TO THE HONOURABLE THE SPEAKER AND MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

Medicare has made the decision to close the Morayfield Shopping Centre branch mid-December 2014 to combine services offered at the Caboolture Centrelink office as has been outlined in new legislation approved by the Commonwealth Government. This merge will not only fail to achieve the objective of making processes more efficient for those who require a Government Service, but will also create unnecessary congestion at Centrelink offices, as has happened with mergers that have already gone ahead. Having Medicare located at Morayfield Shopping Centre generates the convenience of not having to visit another location other than shoppers' daily routine (i.e. supermarket, pharmacy, doctors, public transport and BUPA in the one location). The existing office provides more convenience and efficient service to the public in the current location than would be provided by merging services with the Centrelink office.

Your petitioners, therefore, request the Federal Government to keep Morayfield Medicare where it is currently located.