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I am a 38yr old mother of 2 children, who are both still breastfeeding at 18mths and 3 1/2 yrs.

I am pleased that you are holding an inquiry into breastfeeding and hopeful that it will lead to some constructive changes in our government's and public's attitude to breastfeeding.

The three most important and immediate outcomes (amongst the many more that I would hope to see) that I believe should come from this inquiry are:

- 1. The WHO Code on Marketing Artificial Baby Milk be fully enforced in Australia.
- 2. Every mother receive an Australian Breastfeeding Association subscription with the baby bonus (only \$50!).
- 3. Freely available antenatal breastfeeding education for mothers and fathers as early as possible in pregnancy.

I look forward to the results of this inquiry and am confident that the Government will make some positive changes in our society. The cost benefit alone and the increased health of our society should be enough to motivate some changes.

Thank you for this opportunity, Bindi Borg