

Ms Jeanette Radcliffe Committee Secretary Standing Committee on Community Affairs PO Box 6100 Parliament House CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Ms Radcliffe

Question on Notice from the Inquiry into Social Services Legislation Amendment (No Jab, No Pay) Bill 2015

I am writing in response to the question you have submitted on behalf of Senator Claire Moore of the Senate Standing Committee on Community Affairs' inquiry into the Social Services Legislation Amendment (No Jab, No Pay) Bill 2015. Senator Moore raised her question during the public hearing on *No Jab, No Pay* in Brisbane on Monday, 2 November 2015.

Ms Moore asks what interaction the department has had with the child care industry and child care providers in relation to the changes. Consultation with the child care sector and families was undertaken by DSS during June and July 2015 as part of the Regulation Impact Statement process for the *Jobs for Families* child care package.

The *No Jab No Pay* measure formed one component of this package which was announced by Government in the 2015 Budget and child care peak bodies and services were active participants in the consultation process.

Matters in relation to implementation of the changes as they impact the child care sector will continue to be managed by my department.

Yours sincerely

Jackie Wilson Deputy Secretary

Date 5/11/15

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