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To: <u>Community Affairs, Committee (SEN)</u>

Subject: Correcting the information given to a Senate hearing on My Health record

Date: Thursday, 4 October 2018 2:52:44 PM

Dear Ms Radcliffe,

My attention has been drawn to incorrect evidence given to the Senate Community Affairs Committee on Thursday September 20 and I write to ask for the record to be corrected.

The head of the Australian Digital Health Agency Tim Kelsey told the committee that in an article on the My Health Record published in July:

"Ms Dunlevy reported inaccurately a number of issues in relation to the My Health record."

"We have been in touch with News Corp over the previous couple of years and have had a series of corrections published in relation to articles that have been published by Ms Dunlevy."

News Corp has not published any corrections to the July article or any other articles that have been written by me about the My Health Record.

A clarification was made to two articles where the word "authorised" was added to online copy but no correction was published in a newspaper. This related to a story that correctly reported that healthcare professionals providing healthcare to an individual – potentially including podiatrists and dieticians – will be able to see if that individual has a mental illness or sexually transmitted disease if they are registered to use the My Health Record.

The agency made a baseless attack on my integrity in a statement published on its website in July. Through our lawyers I provided a comprehensive rebuttal of those claims. The agency then withdrew that statement from its website.

I would greatly appreciate it if the Senate record could be amended to reflect these facts.

Yours sincerely

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