APPENDIX 2

Public Hearing

Friday, 2 February 2007 Parliament House, Canberra

Committee Members in attendance

Senator Gary Humphries (Chair) Senator Claire Moore (Deputy Chair) Senator Lyn Allison Senator Jan McLucas Senator the Hon Kay Patterson

Witnesses

Mr Ian McAuley, Lecturer, University of Canberra

Consumers' Health Forum of Australia

Ms Helen Hopkins, Executive Director

Australian Private Hospitals Association (APHA)

Mr Michael Roff, Executive Director

Mr Paul Mackey, Director, Policy and Research

Australian Medical Association (AMA)

Dr Dana Wainwright, Chair of Council

Mr John O'Dea, Director, Medical Practice

Australian Health Management Group Limited (ahm)

Mr Dan Hook, Chief Executive Officer

Mr Greg Rheinberger, Deputy Chief Executive Officer

Australian Health Insurance Association (AHIA)

The Hon Dr Michael Armitage, Chief Executive Officer

Health Insurance Restricted Membership Association of Australia (HIRMAA)

Mr John Rashleigh, President

Mr Ron Wilson, Executive Director

Medical Benefits Fund of Australia Limited (MBF)

Dr Christine Bennett, Group Executive, Health and Financial Solutions and Chief Medical Officer

Mr Ian Burningham, Group Executive, Corporate and Capital Management

Australian Unity Limited

Mr Rohan Mead, Group Managing Director

Mr David Bradley, Manager, Strategic Initiatives

MND Australia

Ms Carol Birks, National Executive Director

MS Australia

Ms Sharon Eacott, Advocate

Australian Physiotherapy Association (APA)

Mr Damian Mitsch, National Manager

Ms Jenny Kerr, Director

Palliative Care Australia

Ms Donna Daniell, Chief Executive Officer

Department of Health and Ageing

Mr David Kalisch, Deputy Secretary

Mr Charles Maskell-Knight, Principal Adviser, Acute Care Division

Ms Penny Shakespeare, Assistant Secretary, Private Health Insurance Branch, Acute Care Division

Ms Belinda Highmore, Director, Broader Health Cover Section, Private Health Insurance Branch, Acute Care Division

Ms Veronica Hancock, Director, Consumer Strategies Section, Private Health Insurance Branch, Acute Care Division