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Senate Standing Committee on Community Affairs PO Box 6100 Parliament House Canberra ACT 2600

Subject: Submission from UniSA Master of Clinical Psychology Program

Dear Committee Members,

Rather than replicating a well written submission, we the underside signed would like to endorse the submission from the Heads Of Departments and Schools of Psychology Association (HODSPA) of Australian Universities regarding concerns with the terms of reference (e) mental health workforce issues, including (i) the two-tiered Medicare rebate system for psychologist; (ii) workforce qualifications and training of psychologists, and (iii) workforce shortages.

We fully support HODSPAs submission and would like to see the advancement of more competently trained Clinical Psychologists delivering quality care to those who need it the most.

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