

1. Would you support a referral pathway to doctors and school nurses for children and young people who are vaping, or have a suggestion for an alternative mechanism?

Dear Apolline,

Thank you for the follow up question.

Lung Foundation Australia would support referrals processes that assist young people and students to access qualified smoking cessation advice including but not limited to GPs, Nurse Practitioners that are appropriately training in smoking cessation, mental health care professionals including Head Space staff again you are appropriated training in smoking and vaping cessation and also QUIT line staff via both face to face and telehealth support.

With regards to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people additional investment in programs for these communities and the existing smoking and vaping cessation programs for First Nations young people is supported.

The Foundation also supports parents and children education on Vaping via e learning and or face to face meetings much the same way as we currently support young teens with reproductive health and sexual consent.

I hope this clarifies our position.

Kind regards,

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