

## **APPENDIX 2**

### **Public Hearing**

*Thursday, 17 December 2009*

*Parliament House, Canberra*

#### **Committee Members in attendance**

Senator Claire Moore (Chair)

Senator Rachel Siewert (Deputy Chair)

Senator Judith Adams

Senator Mark Furner

#### **Witnesses**

##### **Homebirth Australia**

Ms Justine Caines, Secretary

##### **Australian Private Midwives Association**

Ms Liz Wilkes, National President

Ms Marie Heath, National Vice President

##### **Rural Doctors Association of Australia**

Mr Steve Sant, Chief Executive Officer

##### **Australian College of Midwives**

Dr Jenny Gamble, President

Ms Barbara Vernon, Executive Officer

Associate Professor Dr Andrew Bisits, Obstetrician

##### **Australian Nursing and Midwifery Council**

Ms Karen Cook, Chief Executive Officer

Ms Dianna Kidgell, Research and Policy Advisor

##### **Australian Nursing Federation**

Ms Lee Thomas, Assistant Federal Secretary

Ms Julianne Bryce, Senior Professional Officer

##### **Australian General Practice Network**

Dr Alison Edwards, Board Director

Ms Rachel Yates, Director of Policy

**Maternity Coalition**

Mr Bruce Teakle, National Executive Member

Ms Makayla McIntosh, National Vice President

Ms Ann Catchlove, Victorian President

**Australian Medical Association (AMA)**

Dr Andrew Pesce, President

Mr Francis Sullivan, Secretary-General

**Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists (RANZCOG)**

Dr Ted Weaver, President

**Department of Health and Ageing**

Ms Rosemary Huxtable, Acting Deputy Secretary

Ms Kerry Flanagan, First Assistant Secretary, Health Workforce Division

Mr Peter Woodley, Assistant Secretary, Medical Benefits Division