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Dear Productivity Commission

RE: SA MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION SUBMISSION TO THE PRODUCTIVITY COMMISSION'S MENTAL HEALTH DRAFT REPORT

Thank you for providing the SA Mental Health Commission (the Commission) with the opportunity to respond to the Productivity Commissions' draft report on Mental Health. Submissions to national inquiries are one way in which the Commission ensures its strong community voice is heard at the state and national level.

The Commission, since its establishment in October 2015, has undertaken extensive consultations with South Australians and formed strong partnerships with people with lived experience and their carers, the community, service providers, non-government and private organisations, industry, clinicians, and academic institutions.

This submission represents a summary of the views and experiences that the Commission has heard during its engagement with the South Australian community and its partners. The Commission has presented the submission in two parts:

- Attachment A: Summary of Important Mental Health and Wellbeing Themes
- Attachment B: Detailed response to the Draft Recommendations and Requests for Information

The Commission acknowledges the important work completed by the Productivity Commission in undertaking this inquiry and recognises the significant opportunity it presents to improve mental health and wellbeing for all Australians.

Should you wish to discuss our submission further, please do not hesitate to contact Madeleine Bing-Fish

Yours sincerely

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Mental Health Commissioner
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