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Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency
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By Email: accreditationreview@ahpra.gov.au

Dear Sir/Madam

**CONSULTATION: REVIEW OF ACCREDITATION ARRANGEMENTS – ASSIGNMENT
OF ACCREDITATION FUNCTIONS**

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the above. The Australian Small Business and Family Enterprise Ombudsman (ASBFEO) represents the concerns of small businesses and family enterprises in Australia. The Ombudsman reviews key policies, legislation and industry practices that impact on the small business sector.

We support the accreditation functions in the National Scheme, the analysis of performance across accreditation authorities against the Quality Framework, as well as the objectives and guiding principles of the National Law.

However, when implementing the accreditation functions we ask that any increases in costs, fees or charges that can have an impact small businesses capacity and capability be considered. We also ask that these changes are transparent and that small businesses are made aware of how they will be affected and when.

I hope these comments assist you and I would be happy to discuss these matters further.

Please feel free to contact [REDACTED]

Yours sincerely
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