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For the attention of
Hon Ruth Forrest!LC
Hon Dr Bastian Seidel MLC

To introduce myself I live on the Huon Vally with my husband on a rural block we are both retired and have the usual health issues with getting older. We have of course had reason to visit our local GP our concerns have always been that it takes too long for an appointment. Why are there not enough full time GPs our GP is excellent but only available 3 days a week. There is need for an ambulance station in Cygnet to service surrounding areas the population is increasing not just with retirees but with young families the infrastructure needs to be there before hand.

There is also a need for a dentist and a mental health clinic.

Why is obesity such an issue? Is it that GPs are not allowed to discuss these problems? Is it a case of possible discrimination? I know you can lead a horse to water but you can't make him drink!

I do not have any case studies or stories I just speak from personal experience although we have had to wait an hour on 2 occasions for an ambulance.

What is the Medicare levy for? Where does the money go ? Does it go into consolidated revenue or just into health ?

There always seems enough money for sport. I know that you can't put a stop to everything but surely health needs to be a top priority regardless.

Hope this is of some help and thank you for giving us the chance to voice our views, Good Luck, Regards
David and Sally Wimbridge.

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