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Dear Premier

**Response to Royal Commission into Family Violence (Victoria)**

The Victorian Branch of the Australian Health Promotion Association (AHPA) welcomes the recent release of the findings from the Response to Royal Commission into Family Violence (RCFV)

Our organisation is the peak body representing those engaged in the practice, research and study of health promotion. We have 1200 active members in all States and Territories across Australia. In Victoria, we have an active branch committee led by volunteers and servicing 300-350 student, practicing and organisational members across the state.

We note in particular the strong support and recognition for Primary Prevention and the practice of health promotion provided by the Commissioners in the report. The primary prevention of violence against women and children has become a significant and coordinated piece of work within the health promotion space in recent years, championed by Community and Women's Health Services and supported by a wide variety of agency and network partners, both inside and external to the health system.

If AHPA can assist the government in implementing the recommendations of the Royal Commission we would be more than happy to do so. We could certainly facilitate an opportunity for you or your Ministerial colleagues to connect with the Health Promotion workforce in the near future.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if we can be of any assistance.

Kind Regards



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