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Dear Drs Boulton and Dale,

Thank you for your letter dated 31 July 2023 regarding my invitation to participate in the upcoming workshop to inform a quality and safety framework for the North Queensland Pharmacy Scope of Practice Pilot (the Pilot). I would be very grateful for your expert guidance in this space.

Please see my response below to the concerns outlined in your letter:

#### **Accountability and Transparency**

I agree with your point regarding the importance of accountability and transparency to the public. However, due to the sensitive nature of this initiative, we request your confidentiality until such time as the consultation has been completed and the Pilot has commenced. Following that time, you or other representatives of the AMAQ would be welcome to comment on the program, including any aspects you have concerns with. There will be no requirement to physically sign a confidentiality agreement. Rather, this request is made in the spirit of good faith.

#### **Concerns raised**

I acknowledge and accept that AMAQ has escalated concerns about the Pilot, and will ensure that your name is not used in any way that suggests endorsement from the AMAQ. I appreciate your willingness to work together to deliver the safest possible care for Queenslanders.

Please let me know if the above responses are suitable to your executive and I look forward to working with you.

Should you require any further information please contact [REDACTED] Director,  
Office of the Chief Medical Officer via email: [REDACTED]

Yours sincerely

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