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Dear [Dear Sir/Madam or Dear Mr/Mrs/Dr/Ms Last Name]

I’m writing to you about the ACT Government’s plan to impose a new payroll tax on General Practice.

As a patient I know that my general practice in the ACT is continuing to come under pressure. If the ACT Government proceeds with its plan to impose the new tax, my GP will have little choice but to pass the tax on to patients.

A survey undertaken by the AMA ACT highlighted that 80% of practices were likely to increase their private billing fees if they did not receive an exemption from the new patient tax.

It seems to me that the ACT Government doesn’t understand the essential role that GPs and general practices play in our Canberra community.

I’m concerned that the ACT Government’s new patient tax will make it more difficult for Canberrans to access affordable primary care and more patients will rely on the Emergency Department rather than being able to see a GP.

With the current cost of living crisis, I urge you to take action and ensure that GPs are given an exemption from this new tax as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely,

[Your Name]