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Dear Premier Crisafulli

Congratulations on your election and appointment as Premier.

PT4Q formed in 2019 and is an alliance of Queensland-based health, medical, harm reduction, academic, community and youth sector organisations working together with local event and entertainment industry stakeholders to advocate for the establishment of pill testing (also known as drug checking) in Queensland.

We thank you for allowing drug checking to proceed at Schoolies in 2024 and understand that continuing funding for the two fixed sites (Brisbane and the Gold Coast) from May 2025 is under active consideration by your Government. We urge you to ensure that this vital public health service remains available to Queenslanders.

The service has demonstrated great value for money for the Queensland Government and the community since it opened in April 2024. Almost half (47%) of people who used the service had never talked with a health worker about their alcohol or drug use before and were provided with health and harm reduction information. One in five people received a referral to a GP or other medical professional, or an alcohol and other drugs service.

The service has also provided valuable information to the community and public health system on substances in circulation in real time, including a detection of protonitazene, a potent synthetic opioid and bromazolam, a novel benzodiazepine. With novel and dangerous substances emerging in drug markets across Australia, it is essential that accurate and timely information is available to people who use drugs to prevent overdose.

We look forward to your confirmation that your Government will continue to invest in drug checking services. For further information please contact Rebecca Lang from the CEO of the Queensland Network of Alcohol and Other Drug Agencies (QNADA) on [REDACTED].

Yours sincerely

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Rebecca Lang  
On behalf of The PT4Q Alliance

Cc: The Hon Tim Nichols, Minister for Health and Ambulance Services

## List of Pill Testing for Queensland Alliance members

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### Health, Harm Reduction, Youth and Community

1. Australian Medical Association – Queensland
2. RANZCP – Chapter of Addiction Medicine, Qld Committee
3. Alcohol and Drug Foundation
4. ConsciousNest
5. Just Mossin'
6. Lives Lived Well
7. The Loop Australia – Queensland
8. Queensland Network of Alcohol and other Drugs Agencies
9. Queensland Injectors Health Network Ltd (QuIHN)
10. Youth Advocacy Centre
11. The University of Queensland's National Centre for Youth Substance Use Research

### Event and Entertainment Industry

12. Earth Frequency Festival
13. Electronic Music Conference
14. The Tivoli

