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Dear Sir/Madam

The Reserve Bank Health Society Limited - Application for revocation of authorisation A91264 and substitution of AA1000559 – interested party consultation

On 16 June 2021, the ACCC received an application for re-authorisation from the Reserve Bank Health Society Limited (**RBHS**). This letter is to invite you to comment. You are welcome to pass this letter on to others who may wish to make submissions.

The RBHS is seeking re-authorisation¹ under the *Competition and Consumer Act 2010* (Cth) for Peoplecare Health Limited (**Peoplecare**) to continue to provide a range of administrative, operation and management services to RBHS.

The RBHS is seeking re-authorisation for 10 years. A full copy of the application for re-authorisation is available on the ACCC's [authorisations public register](#).

Interim authorisation

The RBHS has also requested interim authorisation to allow it to continue to engage in conduct under the existing arrangements, in the event that the ACCC does not complete its assessment of the application for re-authorisation before the existing authorisation expires on 15 September 2021.

Making a submission

The ACCC invites you to make a submission on the application for re-authorisation. In making your submission, please provide information, evidence and views about the likely public benefits, effects on competition and any other public detriment that you consider will result from the conduct. You may also tell us about your experience of **the conduct** during the term of the previous authorisation.

If you intend to provide a submission in relation to either the substantive or interim authorisation, please do so by **16 July 2021**.

Please use the coversheet that accompanied this letter and email your submission to exemptions@acc.gov.au, with the subject 'AA1000559 – Reserve Bank Health Society – submission'. Alternatively, if you would like to provide comments orally, please contact Alex Cicchini via the details at the end of this letter.

¹ For information about Authorisations, please see <https://www.acc.gov.au/business/exemptions/authorisation>

Your submission **will** be placed on the ACCC's [authorisations public register on the internet](#) unless you have made a request (with reasons) for us to exclude part or all of the submission from the public register. (see [Guidelines for Excluding Information from the Public Register for more information on how to make a request and how we assess requests](#)).

Timetable

The ACCC will progress its assessment of the application in a timely manner. An indicative timetable is set out below for your information, and an up to date version (including any changes) will be posted on the public register.

Indicative date	Stage in assessment process
16 June 2021	Lodgement of application and supporting submission.
25 June 2021	Public consultation process begins.
16 July 2021	Closing date for submissions from interested parties.
July/August 2021	Applicant responds to issues raised in the public consultation process.
August 2021	Draft determination.
September 2021	Public consultation on draft determination including any conference if called.
September/October	Final determination.

This letter has been placed on the ACCC's public register. If you have any questions or wish to discuss any aspect of this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Alex Cicchini on (03) 9910 9552 (or alex.cicchini@acc.gov.au) or exemptions@acc.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



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Interested Party List

Australian Prudential Regulation Authority (APRA)

Department of Health

Members Health Fund Alliance

Private Healthcare Australia

Australian Health Services Alliance (AHSA)

Hospital and Medical Benefits Systems Ltd (HAMBS)

Commonwealth Ombudsman (PHIO)

Peoplecare Health Limited

TUH

CBHS

Navy Health

Phoenix

Police Health

HCF

RT Health

BUPA

Consumer Health Forum of Australia

Health Care Complaints Commission

Private Health – Australian Government Department