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Dear Interim Authorisation Participant

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Medicines Australia application for authorisation AA1000486 – request for update

Background

As you are aware, on 3 April 2020 the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the **ACCC**) granted interim authorisation to Medicines Australia, its members and the Generic and Biosimilar Medicines Association and its members, (together, **the Applicants**, including your organisation) to implement a coordinated strategy in relation to the supply of essential medicines and related supplies in response to the current COVID-19 pandemic (the **Proposed Conduct**).

The interim authorisation has been granted to allow your organisation and the other Applicants to immediately engage in the Proposed Conduct while the ACCC progresses its determination of the substantive application for authorisation. Further information, including a copy of the application and the ACCC's interim authorisation decision, is available on the [public register](#).

Next steps

The ACCC is interested in your views on how the interim authorisation is working so far. In particular:

- Is the Proposed Conduct working as expected?
- Is the Proposed Conduct taking place as described in the application and the interim authorisation decision?
- Are there any particular benefits or detriments that the Proposed Conduct is resulting in?
- Has your organisation engaged in the Proposed Conduct, and if so, what was your experience in doing so? If not, why not?

Responses, including oral responses, will be placed on the ACCC's public register subject to any request for exclusion. Please see the ACCC's [Guidelines for excluding confidential information from the public register for authorisation and notification processes](#).

We would be grateful for your response by **8 May 2020** to simon.bell@acc.gov.au. Alternatively, if you would like to provide feedback orally, please contact Simon Bell on 02 6243 1232.

Yours sincerely

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