



AUSTRALIAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION
(VICTORIA) LIMITED

ABN 43 064 447 678

293 Royal Parade

PO Box 21

Parkville, Victoria 3052

t 03 9280 8722

f 03 9280 8786

w www.amavic.com.au

Country Freecall 1800 810 451

18 September 2007

Ms Isabelle Arnaud
Director, Adjudication
Australian Competition and Consumer Commission
GPO Box 3131
CANBERRA ACT 2601

Dear Isabelle

Notification for Latrobe Regional Hospital

We refer to the email of 18 September from Ms Louise Hird of your office, in which the ACCC requests further information from AMA Victoria in relation to the notification.

Specifically, the ACCC has asked for further information regarding the composition of the participant group ("**Group**"), and the regularity with which the group provides services to Latrobe Regional Hospital ("**LRH**"). Each question is answered in turn below.

1. Number of GPs and number of Specialists

In the Group, there are 11 GPs and 28 Specialists.

2. Number of doctors in each speciality

In the Group, there are:

2 paediatricians
6 surgeons
2 dermatologists
4 obstetricians
13 anaesthetists
4 ophthalmologists
1 physician
4 orthopaedic
1 oncologist
1 ear, nose and throat
1 vascular

3. Regularity of service to LRH

The Group provides irregular service to LRH on an "as needed" basis. A number of participant doctors provide regular, though infrequent service to LRH through fly-in, fly-out and drive-in, drive-out practice.

I hope we have clarified those areas on which the ACCC requested further information.

We thank you for your email and the recent correspondence, particularly the "Indicative Timetable".

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. Goldberg", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

David Goldberg
Solicitor/Senior Advisor
AMA Victoria