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Hi media team,

I'm writing a story about the UK banning puberty blockers in the UK and seeking comments from the Health Minister on the use of puberty blockers in Australia. May I please have a response to my questions by **COB AEDT Friday, December 27.**

My questions are as follows:

- 1) What is the Minister's view on the use of puberty blockers in Australia?
- 2) Should Australia follow the UK's move and ban puberty blockers? Why?
- 3) If not, why should gender-affirming care remain on offer in Australia?
- 4) Is sufficient care and support provided to those who use gender-affirming care in Australia? If so, how?

I look forward to hearing from you.

Thank you,  
 Sophie

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Dear State MP Erin Thompson,

As a parent residing in Flagstaff Hill, I am writing to express my deep concerns regarding the recent Cass review and its implications for children experiencing gender dysphoria. The experimental nature of puberty blockers and cross-sex hormones is alarming, especially when considering the long-term impact on a child's physical and mental health. It is unsettling to think that children are not able to give informed consent for such life-altering treatments.

Furthermore, it is disheartening to see the government overlooking evidence in favour of ideology when it comes to addressing these critical issues. As a parent, I believe it is our duty to prioritize the well-being and safety of our children above all else.

Therefore, I am calling for an independent inquiry into gender dysphoria in children in our state to ensure that decision-making is based on scientific evidence and what is truly in the best interest of the child. Additionally, I urge you to support a ban on puberty blockers in response to the findings of this inquiry.

In light of the recent ban on puberty blockers for children under 18 in the UK based on an evidential review, I believe that you now have an obligation as our representative to pursue this.

Thank you for taking the time to consider these important matters. I look forward to your response and hope that together we can ensure the protection and welfare of all children in our community.

Sincerely,  
Chris Denton

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