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Caroline,

Further to the below, please find attached an info brief that went to the Minister yesterday regarding the Australian Cardiac Outcomes Registry Ltd's (ACOR's) Cardiac Device Registry (CDR) and Monash University's Australian Breast Device Registry (ABDR).

In summary the ABDR is performing well but the CDR isn't. The Department funds both. The Department is putting in place measures to track ACOR's progress to improve the performance of the CDR by 30 June 2018. There is however a high risk that ACOR will not be able to overcome long standing barriers, particularly with regard to key stakeholders.

Despite the risks, this option is preferred over immediately ceasing the arrangement with ACOR as there may not be a suitable or experienced supplier to take over the operation of the CDR, a new supplier may not be able to overcome the barriers and issues experienced by ACOR and the relationship with the society of cardiologists which owns ACOR may also be difficult to manage.

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