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**Subject:** FW: RANZCP re Request for revised clinical guidance to support safe and effective prescribing of antidepressants to paediatric and adolescent patients [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Dear Rosie

I am following up in relation to Associate Professor John Allan, President of the RANZCP letter dated 18 December 2020 to Adjunct Prof John Skerritt, Deputy Secretary for Health Products Regulation in relation to funding to update clinical guidance for prescribing the use of antidepressants in adolescents.

Associate Professor Allan's letter has been referred to Mental Health Division and we would be happy to arrange a time for a meeting to discuss the issues raised in this correspondence. I would be most appreciative if you could contact me so that we can discuss.

Kind regards s 22

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**Director Psychosocial Supports Section**

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Dear Professor Skerritt

Please find attached from the Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Psychiatrists (RANZCP) re Request for revised clinical guidance to support safe and effective prescribing of antidepressants to paediatric and adolescent patients.

If you would like to discuss this further, please contact Rosie Forster, Executive Manager, Practice, Policy and Partnerships on [rosie.forster@ranzcp.org](mailto:rosie.forster@ranzcp.org) or 03 9601 4943.

With regards

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