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Dear Professor Baggoley

**Re: Submission on draft operating standards and technical design for
Australian Clinical Quality Registries**

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the draft operating standards and technical design for Australian Clinical Quality Registries.

The Heart Foundation strongly supports the development of clinical quality registries to provide timely, risk adjusted information on clinical practice and outcomes; specifically in relation to the management of cardiovascular disease. We welcome the development of these robust national standards as a framework for the establishment of appropriate and effective clinical registries. We appreciate that such standards will also enhance the interoperability of registries in the future leading to improved performance across the Australian healthcare system.

The Heart Foundation welcomes the opportunity for ongoing consultation and engagement as the development and piloting of the operating standards progresses.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Andrew Boyden".

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