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National Aboriginal Community  
Controlled Health Organisation

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Ms Elizabeth Hefren-Webb  
Deputy Secretary  
Department of Social Services  
71 Athllon Drive  
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Dear Liz,

Please find attached for your reference NACCHO's submission on the development of the next National Plan to Reduce Violence against Women and their Children (National Plan).

NACCHO recommends that the National Plan aligns with the Four Priority Reforms of the National Agreement on Closing the Gap, including prioritising ACCHOs to deliver frontline services to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people experiencing family and domestic violence.

We would also like to draw your attention to our concerns about the Department's consultation process. We do not believe this process or the Department's broader approach to the development of the National Plan will fully and effectively consider the voices of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women and their families, communities or community-controlled organisations.

Yours sincerely,

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