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## Hello there

On behalf of the West Moreton Hospital and Health Service (WMHHS) thank you for the opportunity review the Health Futures Commission Queensland Bill 2017 (the Bill).

WMHHS has a significantly higher projected population growth rate for children aged 0-14, at 3.4% annually, compared to the state average of 1.4%. The population for 0-14 years is projected to grow from 55, 893 persons in 2011 to 129, 163 persons in 2036. Children will account for approximately 21.8% of WMHHS's total population by 2036.

Community consultation has indicated that there are significant issues within our community regarding social disadvantage for children, young people and families connected to poorer health outcomes. Strategic and service planning for WMHHS has been focused on improving our community's health that is impacted by social determinants of health.

WMHHS would be very supportive of the objective of the Bill to establish the Healthy Futures Commission Queensland (Commission) to:

- Support the capacity of children and families to adopt a healthy lifestyle, and
- Contribute to reducing health inequality for children and families.

Many thanks Jenifer

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