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Hon Chris Picton MP
Minister for Health
and Wellbeing

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Dear Kelly

I write regarding the O'Brien Street General Practice.

Firstly, I would like to clarify there are no plans of our government to reduce services from the levels currently offered at O'Brien Street General Practice. I understand the importance of these services and how valued they are to members of the LGBTIQ+ community.

As you know, the key challenge currently facing O'Brien Street is the future viability of its current physical location. I understand that this issue has been ongoing since before the election of the Malinauskas Government.

I have requested that the Central Adelaide Local Health Network (CALHN) consult with key community groups and advocates about the best possible alternative locations for the practice.

I have requested Professor Judith Dwyer, Member of the CALHN Governing Board, to work with clinicians, stakeholders and advocates to find the best possible solution that ensures service continuity and accessibility. Professor Dwyer is a respected health expert with decades of leadership experience as well as an extensive research background in health system policy and governance through her role at Flinders University.

In the interim, CALHN is working with O'Brien Street patients, staff and practitioners to ensure patient needs continue to be met throughout this time of transition.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Chris Picton'.

Chris Picton MP
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