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Dear participant,

Pathways of Care Longitudinal Study (POCLS) Wave 6

AbSec – NSW Child, Family and Community Peak Aboriginal Corporation (AbSec) is the peak organisation for Aboriginal children and families in NSW. We work to empower Aboriginal children, young people, families and communities impacted by the child protection system, as well as to support a quality Aboriginal community-controlled child and family sector to deliver needed supports in Aboriginal communities across the state.

We provide child protection and out-of-home care policy advice on issues affecting Aboriginal children, young people, families and carers, and we are informed by our membership base and community to ensure that Aboriginal perspectives are included in government policy and reform directions.

AbSec is supportive of the Pathways of Care Longitudinal Study (POCLS), now entering its sixth wave of data collection. The POCLS study examines the experiences of children and young people, their carers and families in the statutory out-of-home care system. The experiences and perspectives of Aboriginal children and young people and their families are essential to efforts to improve systems, policy and practice, to uphold the best interests of Aboriginal children and young people and support them to thrive, strong in culture and identity.

If you have any concerns about the study, or any other matter regarding an Aboriginal children or young person in out-of-home care, I encourage you to contact the AbSec Carer Support Service on 1800 888 698.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'John Leha'.

John Leha
AbSec Chief Executive Officer