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Re: Pre-budget Submission – Australian Government

Dear Treasury and relevant departments,

Thank you for taking the time to review our pre-budget submission.

Attached you will find a submission outlining our proposal for investment in a visionary initiative pioneering a preventative approach to supporting mentally healthy and resilient young Australians. We call this initiative Smiling Generation.

Smiling Generation aims to equip our children and young people, and every generation that comes after them, with the skills they need to be mentally healthy, resilient and empowered to perform at their best in life, work and academia.

Smiling Generation is youth focussed and technology enabled and will bring leading organisations from Australia and Globally together to deliver high quality, evidence-based tools and resources that could make a dramatic difference to the mental health and life outcomes of young Australians.

With leading clinicians and academics such as Prof Frank Oberklaid and A/Prof Erica Frydenberg strong supporters of our approach we know we can truly make a difference.

We can see strong alignment between our vision for Smiling Generation and the Australian Government priorities and focus areas across education, health and mental health and the proposal attached outlines an innovative and collaborative approach that is designed to make real and lasting change.

We would welcome further conversations about this proposal and look forward to this in due course.

Kind Regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Addie Wootten".

Dr Addie Wootten
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