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## RE: Draft (DHB Funded) Service Specifications for People with Chronic Health Conditions for Home Support Services; Out of Family Respite Services and Community Residential Services within Aged Care Facilities.

Unfortunately the College of Nurses, Aotearoa (NZ) Inc was omitted from circulation of this important document. We were however alerted by our colleagues in the New Zealand Nurses Organisation and have conferred with them accordingly.

We completely endorse their submission and wish to add the support of the College of Nurses to all of the points raised by NZNO. We would even more strongly point out the importance of recognising the specific importance of Nurse Practitioners as a key role in maintaining critical services for the residential care population and in particular preventing unnecessary hospital admissions.

Please do ensure the College of Nurses is included in future requests for consultation. Requests can be sent directly to <u>admin@nurse.org.nz</u> or the postal address above.

Yours sincerely

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