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Sent: Friday, October 30, 2026 10:57 AM
To: VIC <VIC@phaa.net.au>
Subject: Re: Seeking official party response on public health policies by COB Weds 4 Nov

Hello,

Thank you for reaching out and making sure our responses are properly incorporated!

We forwarded the party's position on the 8th of September, which included a commitment to all 4 asks. If these answers are inadequate, please let me know and I will update them. I will paste them below as well.

Victorian Greens' response to PHAA election priorities

1. Invest 5% of total government health expenditure in preventive health by 2030

Yes. The Victorian Greens support increasing investment in preventive health to at least 5% of total government health expenditure by 2030. Prevention reduces avoidable illness, improves health outcomes and reduces pressure on hospitals, saving money in the long-run. Investment should prioritise evidence-based programs that address health inequities and the social, economic and environmental determinants of health.

2. Maintain the independence of VicHealth

Yes. The Victorian Greens strongly support an independent VicHealth. Dr Tim Read has advocated tirelessly for VicHealth to stay meaningfully independently funded. Its independence enables it to provide evidence-based health promotion and prevention, build community partnerships and advocate for better health without short-term political or commercial pressures. VicHealth's expertise and independence should be protected through secure, ongoing funding.

3. Ensure ongoing five-year funding certainty for Local Public Health Units

Yes. The Victorian Greens support five-year funding certainty for Local Public Health Units to enable long-term planning and retain skilled public health workers. Stable funding is essential to effective prevention, health promotion and responses to emerging public health threats.

4. Establish and fund a Victorian Public Health Officer Training Program

Yes. The Victorian Greens support establishing a properly funded public health officer training program to strengthen Victoria's public health workforce by building a pipeline of skilled professionals. A program developed in consultation with the public health sector that provides practical training would be a great asset to the Victorian public health system.

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