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Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 10:59:28 am

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Cc: Paul Vardon | rrelevant @health.gld.gov.au>

Subject: FW: Discontinuation of Project 12 – Puberty Health Program Implementation

Hi Dani. Written confirmation as requested.

Regards Mark

Mark West

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To: Mark West Irrelevant @health.qld.gov.au>

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Subject: Discontinuation of Project 12 – Puberty Health Program Implementation

Dear Mark

I refer to recent discussions about the implementation of the Women and Girls' Health Strategy. As executive sponsor of the Strategy, I confirm that a recent decision was made to discontinue the funding and delivery of *Project 12 Development of a Puberty Health Program for Year 5 and 6 students* in Queensland State schools, effective 16 May 2025. Human rights were considered as part of the decision-making process.

I wish to sincerely thank your Branch for overseeing the project's implementation to date.

Regards,

Helen

Queensland Government

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Amanda Holt

From:

Paul Vardon

Sent:

Tuesday, 22 April 2025 3:03 PM

To:

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Subject:

update on the Queensland Puberty Health Education Project

Hi everyone,

Hope everyone enjoyed the easter break – wasn't the weather fantastic!

We are afraid that here is no easy way to share this sad news with you.

As you may be aware, there has been an internal review of the Queensland Women and Girls' Health Strategy.

Despite our strong internal advocacy efforts, an unexpected decision regarding the Qld Puberty Health Education Project (funded under the Queensland Women and Girls' Health Strategy) has been made at the highest levels resulting in the cessation of this 4-year temporary project early – with the end date being now in a just a few weeks.

We are both shocked by this outcome and its personal implications on Renee and Kara.

We feel strongly that this is not to be taken whatsoever as a reflection on the quality of the work undertaken to date or the progress that has been made.

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Thanks for your support to Renee and Kara at this time.

Best regards
Paul and Mark