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Dear Mr Bates

Thank you for your letter dated 12 September 2013 regarding the Barrett Adolescent Centre Special School.

I note your suggestion for a roundtable stakeholder meeting to be convened to discuss the future of the Barrett Centre and service models for the ongoing provision of adolescent mental health, extended health and rehabilitation care in Queensland.

As indicated in my letter to you dated 9 September 2013, my Department is working closely with Queensland Health to ensure that students who attend the Barrett Adolescent Centre Special School will continue to receive the support they require to have a quality education.

In the event Queensland Health closes the centre, please be assured my Department will undertake a thorough consultation process to consider the implications for the school, its staff and the delivery of educational programs for affected students.

Should you wish to discuss this matter further, I invite you to contact Mr Peter Blatch, Assistant Regional Director, Metropolitan Region, by email at or on telephone

Yours sincerely

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