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**Subject:** FW: Draft lines on 'Ready, Set, Grow' trial.  
**Date:** Wednesday, 21 May 2025 10:54:00 AM  
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Hi Mitchell,

Fyi on the below.

Thanks,  
Kate

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**Subject:** RE: Draft lines on 'Ready, Set, Grow' trial.

**Additional on Women and Girl's Health Strategy:**

- Our Government is committed to ensuring women and girls can access the health services they need no matter their postcode.
- As I have said since taking this role, all funds allocated to the Women and Girls' Health Strategy will be spent.
- This includes the \$2.96M allocated to the Ready, Set, Grow campaign.
- I understand the trial is due to commence in six schools across Cairns and South Brisbane. All funds provided to the trial will be continued.
- The Queensland Government has unequivocally guaranteed funding for the Women and Girls Health Strategy and anything to the contrary is incorrect.

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**Subject:** Draft lines on 'Ready, Set, Grow' trial.

**Importance:** High

Hi All

Draft lines on 'Ready, Set, Grow' trial.

- The Minister for Health has never made a decision to cease or reduce funding the 'Ready, Set, Grow' trial.
- All funds provided to the trial will be continued.
- The Queensland Government has unequivocally guaranteed funding the Women and Girls' Health Strategy.
- Any correspondence that indicates the cessation of programs within the Women and Girls' Health Strategy is not correct and does not reflect any decision taken by the Minister or the Government.

**On Background:**

The trial is due to commence in six schools across Cairns and South Brisbane.

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We are urgently seeking advice on this issue but it does not appear to ever have come to our office and on early investigations has been a decision made at officials level in Health.

8:21 am ✓✓

We will work on a joint response with Health for QT and will share with the PO, TO and more broadly.

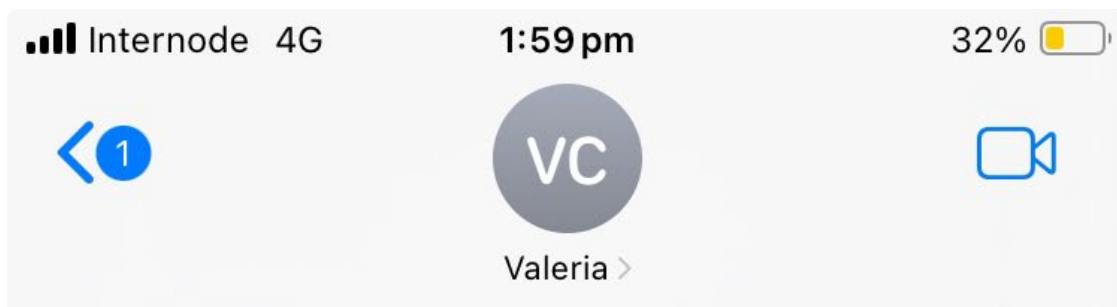
8:23 am ✓✓



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**Kate Rogers**

Thanks Mitch 8:23 am



P4p Can we please grab something on this too



Yes we are working on something for QT. But it's a Health initiative, they have put out a statement on it.





Belinda >




consultation with young people and parents – which was the final stage of revisions prior to piloting. Consideration is underway of potential next steps in relation to the materials.

for Parli - Might need a combined whole of gov reply with all the programs you and them are funding in this space.

Yeah we'll work with Health on that.

From Matt Tapsall. We're pulling together the Education initiatives for this, can you share what you're got for Health once you have it?

Clio Padayachee  >



Clio is our office contact for parliament materials, or you can send them directly to me

Delivered

Wed, 21 May at 8:07 am

Apparently it's health money

I'll speak with Belinda

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Yeah we'll work with Health on that.



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Belinda >



Wed, 21 May at 8:10 am

Queensland Puberty Health  
Education Program trial for students  
in Years 5 and 6. As you are aware,  
this trial was a joint initiative of  
Department of Health and  
Department of Education under the  
*Queensland Women and Girls'*  
*Health Strategy 2032.*

There has been an internal review by  
the Department of Health of the  
initiatives funded under the  
Queensland Women and Girls'  
Health Strategy, which has led to a  
shift in government priorities and  
funding with a decision recently made  
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We want to share an important update with you regarding the Queensland Puberty Health Education Program trial for students in Years 5 and 6. As you are aware, this trial was a joint initiative of Department of Health and Department of Education under the *Queensland Women and Girls' Health Strategy 2032*.

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