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Dear Mr Cousins *Michael*

Thank you for your email of 29 July, 2016, about support of clinical trials at the new Royal Adelaide Hospital (RAH).

Research and Clinical Trials are an integral part of modern patient treatment and will remain closely aligned and incorporated into clinical services at the new RAH.

Work is currently underway to ensure that research and clinical trials groups operating at the current RAH will be relocated to the new RAH, or to appropriate accommodation within the South Australian Health and Biomedical Precinct.

Research and clinical trials directly involving patients will have access to clinical settings and flexible workspaces at the new RAH.

Work is currently underway with research and clinical trials staff to finalise the detail of allocation of space, storage, equipment and patient access to support their integration into the new facility.

The placement of research and clinical trials activity at the new RAH and across the Precinct will create new working arrangements between organisations and research groups, which will drive improvements in patient care. It will also help to recruit and retain the best Australian and international medical clinicians and researchers.

Work to finalise these arrangements will be completed prior to transition to the new RAH.

Yours sincerely

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Minister for Health

