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Medicare cannot be strengthened without Practice Management

The Australian Association of Practice Management (AAPM) has condemned the exclusion of Practice Management representation on the Government's Strengthening Medicare Taskforce.

"The aims of the Strengthening Medicare Taskforce cannot be achieved without the involvement of Practice Managers who embed policy change within health care practices", Miranda Grace, AAPM CEO stated. "It is utterly bewildering that Minister Butler has not recognised the importance of Practice Managers in the composition of the Strengthening Medicare Taskforce".

Practice Managers are the nexus between consumers, clinicians and policy, responsible for delivering change within health care practices, by overseeing change management, and supporting processes.

"The exclusion of Practice Managers shows that Minister Butler has a complete lack of understanding in how practices operate. The Government must view Practice Managers as a distinct stakeholder group that require representation on the Strengthening Medicare Taskforce" Ms Grace concluded.

About the Australian Association of Practice Management (AAPM):

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