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Dear Jennifer

### **Letter of Agreement to new Health Target – More Heart and Diabetes Checks**

From 1 January 2012, the national health target for cardiovascular disease and diabetes services will change.

The new target, to be called 'More heart and diabetes checks', measures the number of completed cardiovascular risk assessments for all eligible persons within the last five years.

The national goal target associated with the new target is 90 percent, to be achieved in steps over three years. DHBs are expected to achieve at least 60 percent by 1 July 2012.

DHBs' performance in relation to the new target will be publicly reported based on 2011/12 quarter three results, from May 2012.

By signing this Letter of Agreement you agree that the performance expectations previously agreed to in your 2011/12 Annual Plan in relation to the target are amended.

Yours sincerely

Hon Tony Ryall  
Minister of Health

Jennifer Black  
Nelson Marlborough District Health Board  
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