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By email: bjjb 99@yahoo.com

Dear Jo,

Thank you for your recent emails to Naomi Combe and myself. We appreciate the time you have taken in raising your concerns with us.

As Naomi has mentioned we work closely with the Commonwealth to remain up to date with current evidence and policy as it relates to the BreastScreen Australia (BSA) Program.

Our campaign activity is refreshed every year following extensive formative research and evaluation and we use our limited budget to address the priorities of BSA and priority populations in NSW.

Our website provides information about the availability of the service for all women over the age of 40, and it is clear that the service is accessible to women in the 40 - 49 year age group. We also suggest that women in the 40 - 49 year age group discuss the best screening options with their general practitioner.

If you have any further comments about the policy relating to the eligible and target age group for women you may wish to contact the Director of BSA located within the Commonwealth Department of Health.

Thank you again for your correspondence and comments.

Yours sincerely,

Sarah McGill

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