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Auckland Home Birth Assn P O Box 7093 Wellesley Street AUCKLAND

Dear Madam

I enclose for your information a paper recently prepared by Ms Jennie Nicol, a senior advisory officer within the department, on domiciliary midwifery and homebirth.

The paper arose from consultation with those involved in homebirth and expresses the views of those that provide a homebirth service, and those requesting such a service be available.

It is acknowledged that these views may be contrary to many of those who practice as specialists in the obstetric field, but none the less consider the information to be of value, and if shared to be to the advantage of those most concerned, namely mother and child.

The paper was prepared to assist in policy formulation and to provide information for discussion and is part of a series of papers looking at the options available, and how a safe service for mother and child can be best achieved.

Yours sincerely

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