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Sent via e-mail to: [stephen.woodruffe@pharmac.govt.nz](mailto:stephen.woodruffe@pharmac.govt.nz)

Dear Stephen

**RE: PROPOSAL FOR THE FUNDING OF AN ADDITIONAL BRAND OF ADRENALINE (1:10,000) INJECTION**

Thank you for the opportunity to provide feedback on the above proposal.

The Pharmacy Guild of New Zealand (Inc) (the Guild) is a national membership organisation representing community pharmacy owners. We provide leadership on all issues affecting the sector and advocate for the business interests of community pharmacy.

The Guild supports the funding of an additional brand of adrenaline injection. However, there is a maximum quantity of five ampoules subsidised on a Practitioner's Supply Order (PSO). This means that community pharmacies will often be left carrying the remainder of the pack size, which is an additional cost to the pharmacy. The Guild therefore suggests subsidising a pack size of five ampoules or increasing the PSO quantity to 10 ampoules.

Thank you for taking the time to read our feedback. If you have any questions about our feedback, please contact Guild Policy Advisor, Jasmine Freemantle, at [jasmine.freemantle@pgnz.org.nz](mailto:jasmine.freemantle@pgnz.org.nz) or 04 802 8205.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Annabel Young', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

**Annabel Young**  
Chief Executive