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## **Medical Technology industry thanks outgoing Health Secretary**

MTAA CEO Ian Burgess has today thanked outgoing Department of Health Secretary Glenys Beauchamp PSM for her service to the health industry throughout the course of a long and distinguished career.

“On behalf of the medical technology industry I would like to thank Ms Beauchamp for her dedication and commitment to serving the healthcare industry,” Mr Burgess said today.

“Ms Beauchamp presided over the signing of MTAA’s 2017 Agreement with the Government, which has since delivered the lowest Private Health Insurance premium increases for three years running.

“I congratulate Ms Beauchamp on her significant achievements throughout her career and wish her well into the future,” Mr Burgess said.

The recommendation that Dr Brendan Murphy be appointed to the role was also welcomed by Mr Burgess.

“We look forward to working with Dr Murphy to ensure that all Australians have access to the best quality medical devices and care,” Mr Burgess concluded.

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### **About MTAA**

The Medical Technology Association of Australia (MTAA) is the national association representing companies in the medical technology industry. MTAA aims to ensure the benefits of modern, innovative and reliable medical technology are delivered effectively to provide better health outcomes to the Australian community.

MTAA represents manufacturers and suppliers of medical technology used in the diagnosis, prevention, treatment and management of disease and disability. The range of medical technology is diverse with products ranging from familiar items such as syringes and wound dressings, through to high-technology implanted devices such as pacemakers, defibrillators, hip and other orthopaedic implants. Products also include hospital and diagnostic imaging equipment such as ultrasounds and magnetic resonance imaging machines.

MTAA members distribute the majority of the non-pharmaceutical products used in the diagnosis and treatment of disease and disability in Australia. Our member companies also play a vital role in providing healthcare professionals with essential education and training to ensure safe and effective use of medical technology.