Dear XXXX

The Albanese Government is refusing to rule out implementing 60 day dispensing in the upcoming Commonwealth Budget. The proposal is dangerous. **We need you to immediately contact your government MP today.** Your Pharmacy, XXXX Your local MP to call is: Fred Bloggs

The electorate office phone number is: <u>+61123245678</u> Here is a suggested way to raise your concern: **WHEN TALKING TO THE MP**

- Hi, I'm XXX calling from XXX Pharmacy.
- I want to speak to Fred Bloggs

(Once talking to member)

- I want to know what is going on with 60 day dispensing
- Do you know the dangers this poses to patients in XXXX?
- 60 day dispensing will make the medicine shortage worse.
- Just today I had to tell one of my patients we were all out of <EXAMPLE>.
- Giving two boxes out instead of one will make this worse.
- 60 day dispensing will lead to hoarding, and increase the risk of overdoses, including among children and seniors.
- Can you ask the Prime Minister what I'm supposed to say to my patients when I have run out of their medicine, or when their child overdoses?
- This is a cut to healthcare. My patients and your constituents will be worse off.

If the MP is unavailable, request that the MP calls you back and leave the following message.

- I want to know what is going on with 60 day dispensing.
- Does Fred Blogs MP know the dangers this poses to patients in XXXX?
- 60 day dispensing will lead to medicine hoarding, worsening the medicine shortage.
- Hoarding also means more medicines in in the home risking more overdoses, including among children and seniors.
- Just today I had to tell one of my patients we were all out of <EXAMPLE>.
- I want Fred Bloggs to ask the Prime Minister what the hell is going on.
- This is a cut to healthcare. My patients and your constituents will be worse off.
- I want Fred Bloggs to call me back.

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