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Parliamentary Secretary to the Premier

## **Message of Support Regional Development Australia Hunter Launch of Central Coast and Hunter Medtech and Pharmaceuticals Capability Statement**

NSW is leading the way when it comes to Australia's Medtech Industry. With almost 40% of Australia's Medtech companies based in NSW, I commend RDA Hunter and district MedTech and Pharmaceutical companies for taking the initiative to form MedTeCCH. It's a great example of industry, research and Government collaborating to create more jobs, services and products.

I also applaud MedTeCCH for undertaking your recent capability audit which I understand forms the basis for today's MTP Regional Capability Statement.

The NSW Government's *'Turning ideas into jobs' Accelerating R&D Action Plan* supports these kinds of collaborations between sectors in NSW's innovation ecosystem. It is especially gratifying to see the Central Coast Hunter Precinct draw on its industry strengths to positively contribute as a hub for research commercialisation and as an investment location.

I regret I'm unable to join you today, but please accept my best wishes for the success of this exciting initiative.

**Member for Vaucluse  
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