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Health Coalition Supports School Strike 4 Climate Media Release 13 March 2019

The national coalition of health groups working for climate action, Climate and Health Alliance (CAHA), has announced its support for the School Strike 4 Climate being held in cities and towns across Australia on 15 March 2019.

CAHA Executive Director Fiona Armstrong said the hopes and fears of young people about the threats to the global community from the damaging effects of climate change were shared by health and medical professionals across the world.

“As an alliance of health professionals and health organisations - doctors, nurses, psychologists and public health experts, to name a few - we stand in solidarity with school children from around the nation, in recognition of each of their right to health, and of intergenerational equity,” Ms Armstrong said.

“Climate change poses the greatest threat to global public health this century (The Lancet, 2015). We know that the window for action is increasingly small.”

“We support young people who are unwilling to accept a lack of leadership on the climate crisis and who are unwilling to accept the risks to their future health and well-being.”

The Climate and Health Alliance supports the calls by young people to stop the Adani coal mine in North Qld, transition to 100% renewable energy as soon as possible and to phase out the burning of fossil fuels.

“We will be gathering together in solidarity with school strikers in major and regional cities and towns including Sydney, Melbourne, Cairns, Brisbane and Wollongong. We encourage all Australians to demonstrate their concern for the future from climate change by joining the event.”

CAHA encourages all health professionals and those who care about their health and the health of others to register at:

<https://www.facebook.com/pg/climateandhealthalliance/events>

Climate and Health Alliance Members include:

[Australian Association of Social Workers \(AASW\)](#), [Australian College of Nursing \(ACN\)](#), [Australian Council of Social Service \(ACOSS\)](#), [Australian Healthcare and Hospitals Association \(AHHA\)](#), [Australian Health Promotion Association \(AHPA\)](#), [Australian Institute of Health Innovation \(AIHI\)](#), [Australian Women’s Health Network \(AWHN\)](#), [Australian Medical Students’ Association \(AMSA\)](#), [Australian Nursing and Midwifery Federation \(ANMF\)](#), [Australian Primary Health Care Nurses Association \(APNA\)](#), [Australian Psychological Society \(APS\)](#), [CoHealth](#), [CRANAplus](#), [Doctors Reform Society \(DRS\)](#), [Friends of CAHA](#), [Healthy Futures](#), [Health Issues Centre \(HIC\)](#), [Health Nature Sustainability Research Group \(HNSRG\)](#), [Health Services Union \(HSU\)](#), [Kooverup Regional Health Service \(KRHS\)](#), [Pharmacists for the Environment Australia \(PEA\)](#), [Public Health Association of Australia \(PHAA\)](#), [Psychology for a Safe Climate \(PSC\)](#), [Queensland Nurses and Midwives Union \(QNMU\)](#), [School of Public Health and Community Medicine, University of NSW](#), [School of Public Health, University of Sydney](#), [Services for Australian Rural and Remote Allied Health \(SARRAH\)](#), [Victorian Allied Health Professionals Association \(VAHPA\)](#), [Women’s Health East \(WHE\)](#), [Women’s Health in the North \(WHIN\)](#)