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## **STATEMENT**

## Statement by Alan Smith, CEO, AEIOU Foundation

AEIOU supports the Disability Royal Commission

The <u>Royal Commission into Violence</u>, <u>Abuse</u>, <u>Neglect and Exploitation of People with Disability</u> was established on 4 April 2019. Submissions are now being accepted.

AEIOU Foundation fully supports the commission in its work to uncover unacceptable practices and behaviours, and make recommendations to address them.

We are proud to deliver high quality services to the families of children facing the disabling aspects of autism, and of our long-standing safety record while doing so. AEIOU will follow commission proceedings closely to identify any opportunities where we can further reduce risk to the children in our care.

## **ENDS**

## | ABOUT AEIOU FOUNDATION |

AEIOU is a leading provider of autism-specific early intervention for children aged two to six. Each child receives individualised therapy support from a team including speech pathologists, occupational therapists, behaviour therapists and educators. The evidence-based service meets the Australian Guidelines for Good Practice 2012.

AEIOU Foundation is an approved National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) provider, and employs a dedicated team to provide families expert support when navigating the early years of a diagnosis.